

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEATHER FORECAST
FAIR.
Barometer 30.23

(ESTABLISHED 1881.)

Copyright, 1912 by the Proprietor.

December 9th, 1912, Temperature a.m. 50, p.m. 64; Humidity...74, 60.

December 9th, 1911, Temperature a.m. 70, p.m. 72; Humidity...68, 70.

No. 8965

二月初一十年子壬

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1912.

二拜禮

號十月二十年十

336 FAN ANSON
SINGLES COPY 10 CENTS.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

THE TARABOSH INCIDENT.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.
With reference to the Turkish sortie at Tarabosh on the 6th inst. it appears that a Montenegrin officer, blindfolded, was conducted within the Turkish lines and handed over a telegram from Nazim Pasha announcing the capture of the town. The Turkish authorities, however, refused to believe its authenticity, and it was not opened.

A SERBIAN DEMAND.

A Belgrade wire states that a Serbian merchant, who had petitioned King Peter, urging that Serbia's claim for a port in the Adriatic sea should be strongly upheld.

THE PEACE DELEGATES.

The Balkan delegates to London are being appointed. M. Danef, President of the Chamber, heads the Bulgarian delegation. Although Greece has not signed the armistice, she also is sending representatives to London, including the Premier, M. Venizelos.

The Turkish Mission is not yet completed. All the Missions will be accompanied by expert advisers.

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

The renewal of the Triple Alliance was expected, but its announcement on the eve of the London Conference is significant and is regarded as a demonstration of the solidarity of the Triple Alliance in view of a possible hitch. It is expected, however, that the Conference will be of short duration, as all parties are most anxious for a settlement.

GREEKS AND BULGARIANS.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens says an official despatch describes the Greek occupation of Salonika and says the Bulgarians accepted the hospitality of Greece and sheltered in Salonika from bad weather. They were under the command of the Greek commander of the town.

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

PROVISION OF WIRELESS.

London, December 9.
During question-time in the House of Commons, Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, announced that the cost of a high power station to be erected on the highlands of East Africa under the Imperial Wireless Scheme would be borne by the Imperial Government. It was also proposed to erect a low power station at Mombasa, for which the East African Government would pay.

INDIAN VICEROYALTY.

LORD KITCHENER MENTIONED.

London, December 9th.
The "Daily Mail's" Calcutta correspondent states that Lord Kitchener is mentioned as the successor to Lord Hardinge, the Viceroy of India, who takes up a political appointment in England next year.

THE FOURTH ARM.

ADMIRALTY PURCHASES.

London, December 9.
The Admiralty has purchased one German Paveval and one French Astra Torres dirigible airship.

TELEGRAMS.

THE RAILWAY STRIKE.

WILL IT SPREAD?

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.

Up to the present the 3,000 men who came out on strike on the North Eastern Railway have received no accession to their strength, but considerable anxiety is nevertheless felt regarding today's developments.

As the Christmas trade is already suffering, it is feared that unless the dispute is settled in a few days it will spread to other systems, developing into a national strike.

A number of meetings were held by railwaymen in various towns on the North-Eastern system yesterday and resolutions were passed to support the strike, and to protest against the infringement of the civil liberties of railwaymen. At some places, however, notably Hull, it was decided to take no action.

FEARS BEING REALISED.

Later.
The strike is spreading and further grievances are being brought up.

The men contend that the dismissed engine-driver, Knox, who has been 37 years in the service of the company, was unjustly convicted, the Magistrate describing the evidence as very unsatisfactory on both sides.

Hartlepool, Bishop's Auckland and other sections have joined in the strike, while a number of other towns have refused to do so. Many meetings had to be adjourned after lively scenes.

BOTH SIDES FIRM.

The Company and the strikers are most firm in their attitudes.

CANADA'S OFFER.

MR. ASQUITH'S INTENTION.

London, December 9.

Canada's naval proposal was drawn attention to in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Bonar Law asking whether the Government will afford the House an opportunity of expressing its appreciation of the offer.

Mr. Asquith replied that he would probably fix a date for a resolution upon the subject, which he himself would move and Mr. Bonar Law second.

A number of other questions have been put on the paper. The proposals continue to be a topic of world-wide interest, and the Canadian public are jubilant at the reception accorded the proposals in other parts of the Empire.

AUSTRALIAN OPINION.

The Australian press, says Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne, considers that the most notable point in Canada's proposal is that it is a definite indication that the Dominions intend to support the Motherland. The scheme undoubtedly marks an important advance towards co-operation in the defence of the Empire.

A WISE POLICY.

Later.
In the House of Commons, during question-time, Mr. Churchill again emphasised the point that the Canadian Dreadnoughts, if presented, will be in addition to the British programme.

IMPERIAL CO-OPERATION.

Mr. Asquith announced that all the Premiers at the recent Imperial Conference accepted in principle the proposal that representatives of the Dominions should be invited to attend the Committee of Imperial Defence.

TELEGRAMS.

LOAN TO CHINA.

A £25,000,000 PROPOSAL.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.

It is understood that the British group in the Sextuple Loan Syndicate has been extended by the incorporation of Baring's, Schroeder's, the London County and Westminster, the Paris and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and probably another.

The representatives of the Sextuple Syndicate will meet in London on Friday to discuss a proposed loan of £25,000,000.

[There is evidently some error in this wire on Reuter's part, as the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank already form part of the Sextuple Syndicate.]

A special telegram from our Shanghai correspondent dealing with the question appears on Page 5.

THE CORNISH TRAGEDY.

ANOTHER SIDELIGHT.

London, December 9.

It now transpires that Mr. De Lay, who committed suicide at Newquay recently under strange circumstances, married in November, 1911, a Mrs. Young, who in earlier years was divorced, Mr. De Lay, under an assumed name, being the co-respondent.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

ADMIRALS APPOINTED.

[From Chinese Sources.]

Peking, December 9.

President Yuan has appointed Sir Sah Chun-ping and Sir Shih-kung as Admirals.

DR. SUN.

Hang-chow, December 9.
Dr. Sun Yat-sen arrived here to-day by express train, and was accorded a hearty welcome by the Governor General and other officials. There was a large number of spectators to witness the arrival of the ex-President. "Shai Po."

MONGOLIAN ACTIVITIES.

Shanghai, December 9.

It is reported that Uliastai has again fallen into the hands of the Mongolian ruffians.

A STRANGE REPORT.

The Russian troops are alleged to have seized the telegraph bureau at Harbin. "Shai Po."

POST FOR DR. WU'S SON.

Shanghai, December 9.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has appointed Wu Chiu-shu, son of Dr. Wu Ting-fang, as President of the Society for investigating foreign Treaties.

"GREAT MONGOLIA."

Fulan has changed its name, into that of "Great Mongolia," and will be under the dominion of Russia. Attempts have been made to get the foreign nations to recognise the independence of the territory. "Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

A BOYCOTT.

Peking, December 9.
The people in Peking and Tientsin are boycotting the notes issued by the Russian Bank. The notes are only accepted at 20 per cent. discount.

FOREIGN LOANS.

Negotiations for foreign loans have been practically concluded but the agreement has not been signed. The article concerning the superintendence of China's finance has been altered into a provision to engage foreigners as advisers to the central sub-commission will have as President M. Ribot, another ex-Prime Minister.

TELEGRAMS.

PANAMA PROTEST.

CALIFORNIANS' ADVICE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.

Reuter's correspondent at San Francisco says that prominent Californian residents have petitioned President Taft, urging an honourable settlement of the British protest in regard to the Panama Canal Act, declaring that it is better to suffer some limitation of freedom in legislation and commercial disadvantage than to disregard Treaty obligations.

BRITISH HOPES.

The Foreign Office publishes a despatch from Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Minister, to Mr. Bryce, British Ambassador to America, dated November 14th, for communication to Mr. Secretary Knox. It recapitulates in detail the British arguments regarding the Panama Canal tolls, refuting those advanced by America, and concludes that Britain looks with confidence to the Government of the United States to ensure that in promoting the interests of United States shipping, nothing will be done to impair the safeguards guaranteed to British shipping by Treaty.

FRANCE'S DEPOPULATION.

President Fallieres Appoints Body to Discover Remedy.

At a recent Ministerial Council President Fallieres signed a decree presented by M. Klotz, Minister of Finance, appointing an extra-Parliamentary Commission to study all the national questions, social as well as fiscal, which bear upon the depopulation of France and to seek to discover a remedy. In the report preceding the decree M. Klotz stated that in his opinion all the attempts which had hitherto been made by successive Governments to combat the depopulation of the country had been half-hearted and only resulted in partial and ineffective measures. The question was one of national defence, and would inevitably entail heavy expenditure. The Minister suggested that the recommendations made in 1902 by the Waldeck-Rousseau Commission came to nothing because the financial aspects of the question did not receive sufficient attention.

It is proposed, therefore, to set up under the presidency of the Minister of Finance a commission composed of experts in each branch of the subject, who will be able to deal effectively with the social, military, legal, and scientific sides of the question. The Grand Commission will be divided into five sub-commissions—(1) administrative and legal, to inquire into naturalization and marriage laws, the question of infanticide and kindred evils; (2) military, which will examine the effect of the birth-rate on recruiting and army organization; (3) social, to study infantile mortality, hygiene, intemperance, and tuberculosis, together with questions of assistance to mothers and of proper education of the sexes; (4) financial, to decide how best to encourage larger families, and how to help those which have become too large for their parents' financial means; (5) a central sub-commission to collate and examine the reports of the other four sub-commissions, and to draw up the final report.

These sub-commissions will be presided over in the order named by M. Bienvenu Martin, Senator and ex-Minister; M. Coehery, Deputy and ex-Minister; M. Jonard, Deputy and ex-Governor-General of Algeria; M. Caillaux, ex-Prime Minister; and finally the central sub-commission will have as President M. Ribot, another ex-Prime Minister.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH TRADE BOOM.

SOME REMARKABLE FACTS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.

The papers are making a special feature of the remarkable trade returns. Despite labour troubles, the value of trade has not only increased by \$94,000,000 in eleven months, but the proportion of unemployed is the lowest for years. More than two per cent. of Trade Unionists are idle, which is regarded as being irreducible. The Lancashire cotton trade is particularly prosperous, and the mill girls are buying jewellery lavishly. There is even talk of importing labour, to cope with the boom.

RESOURCES OF THE EMPIRE.

Dealing with the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into an report upon the natural resources of the Empire, "Nature" says:—Some changes have taken place in the composition of the Commission since it was appointed, but neither originally nor now, so far as we can find, does the Commission include a single member prominently associated with some branch of scientific knowledge. This is the more surprising because it may be remembered that in March last, a month before the Royal Commission was appointed the British Science Guild issued a report prepared by one of its committees, under the chairmanship of Sir William Ramsay, K.C.B., F.R.S., on the question of the conservation of natural resources of energy. The British Science Guild Committee was composed almost entirely of expert men of science, who had given particular attention to the study of the questions with which the Royal Commission is dealing; and it is greatly to be deplored that one or more of their number, or other representatives of pure or applied science, have not been appointed members of the Commission.

THE LONDON WATER SUPPLY.

The eighth annual report of the Metropolitan Water Board states that the total amount of water supplied by that body during the year ended March 31, 1911, was 82,107,000,000 gallons, representing a weight of 366.8 million tons and a daily average of 225 million gallons. The total volume of water abstracted from the Thames was 49,962 million gallons, the remainder being obtained from the Lea and from gravel beds, natural springs, and wells. The supply from the last-named source amounted to 14,484 million gallons. The month in which most water was supplied was June, the difference between the daily average of that month and that for January being 35 million gallons, or five gallons per head of the estimated population of the Board's area, which is 7,099,871. The average daily supply per head, throughout the year was 31.57 gallons, a decrease from 31.98 gallons in 1909-10. Detailed tables, says the "British Food Journal," show that residents in the western area of the Metropolitan water supply, each individual taking 36.03 gallons, compared with 28.18 gallons per head in the Kentish area. Of the entire population of the Metropolitan it is estimated that 55 per cent. were supplied with Thames water, 25 per cent. with Lea water, and 20 per cent. from springs and wells. The mileage of mains was no less than 8,307, nearly 61 miles of new mains having been laid during the year.

TELEGRAMS.

THE OPIUM TRADE.

AN INDIAN PROTEST.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 9.

The Indian Banks and merchants are making strong representations to the India and Foreign Offices regarding the closing of Chinese ports against opium.

"THE DOGS OF WAR"

In the "London Magazine" under the above title, Fred T. Jane commences a series of articles, which are to tell the plain truth about our Navy. The one before us, in "Sight of Mutiny," is specially disquieting. Speaking of the Spithead gathering in July, he says:—

Spread out, the ships might have reached the moon. A bit more spread out—to Mars. But when the great fleet weighed anchor, in every ship there was at least one man—in many ships more than one—who wondered whether when the order came the fleet would refuse duty, and what would happen then?

Mr. Jane reiterates with all the force of his long and first-hand study of the subject the urgent need to maintain the "two keels to one" standard. Whatever else may or may not happen, whatever may or may not be, there is one great fact of modern naval warfare, and that is that there can be no "muddling through." Modern naval warfare is too deadly. Disaster cannot be retrieved. It is a physical impossibility to construct a warship inside a certain period. There is a definite limit to the number of men who can be put to work on her. More important still, however, is the fact that nothing on earth can accelerate the time that a gun or an armourplate, to be efficient, takes to cool. The utmost that can be done is to speed up the men who put things together, and that is the most trivial item of the whole job. The human element hardly enters. The crux of the matter is a chemical one. The next great war will presumably only last well inside a year. The utmost acceleration which human ingenuity can accomplish in producing warships is probably at the outside a 1 per cent. advantage at the best. The laws of physics are beyond the wildest efforts of human desire. We can only make war with what we have in hand. The question for the man in the street is not the statistical arithmetic of a problem of which he cannot possibly grasp the full technicalities; it is the far simpler question of whether he will stake his existence on the views of those who demonstrate that a medium will suffice, or in those who demand a fuller sufficiency. His existence is the stake. There is no place in war for "also ran."

LOCAL.

An interview with Baron Cotta, who has just returned from Canton, appears in to-day's issue.

LOCAL.

This morning judgment was delivered by the Chief Justice in the "human hair" case.

LOCAL.

Tang Shao-yi, the first Premier of the Chinese Republic, arrived in the colony yesterday afternoon per the a.s. Kweichow from Tientsin.

LOCAL.

The Chief Justice, sitting in Admiralty Jurisdiction to-day, commenced the hearing of the case in which there is a claim and a counter claim arising out of a collision.

LOCAL.

To Succeed General Maxwell.

Maj. Gen. the Hon. J. H. G. Byng, from command of the East Anglian Territorial Division, has taken up command of the British forces in Egypt, in succession to Lieut. Gen. Sir J. G. Maxwell.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

The British Admiralty has purchased one German and one French dirigible airship.

Indian bankers and merchants are protesting against the Chinese closing their ports to opium.

It is reported that Lord Kitchener will next year succeed Lord Hardinge as Viceroy of India.

All the Missions to the Balkan Peace Conference are to be accompanied by expert advisers.

The Sextuple Syndicate, slightly reconstructed, is negotiating a loan of £25,000,000 sterling to China.

At an early date Mr. Asquith is to move and Mr. Bonar Law second a resolution regarding Canada's naval offer.

Mr. Churchill has declared that the Canadian Dreadnoughts, if presented, will be in addition to the British programme.

The Imperial Government will pay for a high power wireless station in East Africa; the cost of a low power one will be borne locally.

Despite labour troubles the value of British trade for the past eleven months increased by 94 millions sterling; the boom continues.

The announcement of the renewal of the Triple Alliance, though anticipated, is regarded as significant on the eve of the Balkan Conference.

The railway strike is spreading, the strikers declaring that the dismissed engine-driver was unjustly convicted on unsatisfactory evidence.

Australian papers consider that the chief point about Canada's proposals lies in the indication that the Dominions intend to support the Motherland.

Prominent Californian residents have petitioned President Taft urging a honourable settlement of the British protest against the Panama Canal Act.

A British official despatch looks with confidence to the United States to do nothing in regard to the Panama Canal tolls impairing British Treaty safeguards.

LOCAL.

An interview with Baron Cotta, who has just returned from Canton, appears in to-day's issue.

This morning judgment was delivered by the Chief Justice in the "human hair" case.

Tang Shao-yi, the first Premier of the Chinese Republic, arrived in the colony yesterday afternoon per the a.s. Kweichow from Tientsin.

The Chief Justice, sitting in Admiralty Jurisdiction to-day, commenced the hearing of the case in which there is a claim and a counter claim arising out of a collision.

LOCAL.

To Succeed General Maxwell.

Maj. Gen. the Hon. J. H. G. Byng, from command of the East Anglian Territorial Division, has taken up command of the British forces in Egypt, in succession to Lieut. Gen. Sir J. G. Maxwell.

Notices

FINEST OLD DUTCH
GIN & LIQUEURS.

FINEST OLD SCHIEDAM

\$14.00 per Case of 12 Quarts
INCLUDING DUTY.SAMPLE BOTTLES FREE
LIQUEUR GLASSES

GRATIS

to regular buyers on application
to the

SOLE AGENTS FOR SOUTH CHINA.

MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,
4, DES VOEUX ROADDiss Bros
TAILORS

1, WYNDHAM STREET (Flower St.) ESTABLISHED 1900. 43

DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT.

Are you about to purchase a "MOTOR CAR"?
If so, see the "OVERLAND." Absolutely the best
"CAR" in the World, both in quality, workmanship
and finish, barring none.
YOU CAN PAY MORE, BUT YOU CAN NOT
BUY MORE.

FOR PRICES AND SPECIFICATIONS APPLY.

DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT,
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA.
RELIABLE SUB-AGENTS WANTED.WM. POWELL,
LTD.

GENTS OUTFITTERS.

NEW STOCK OF

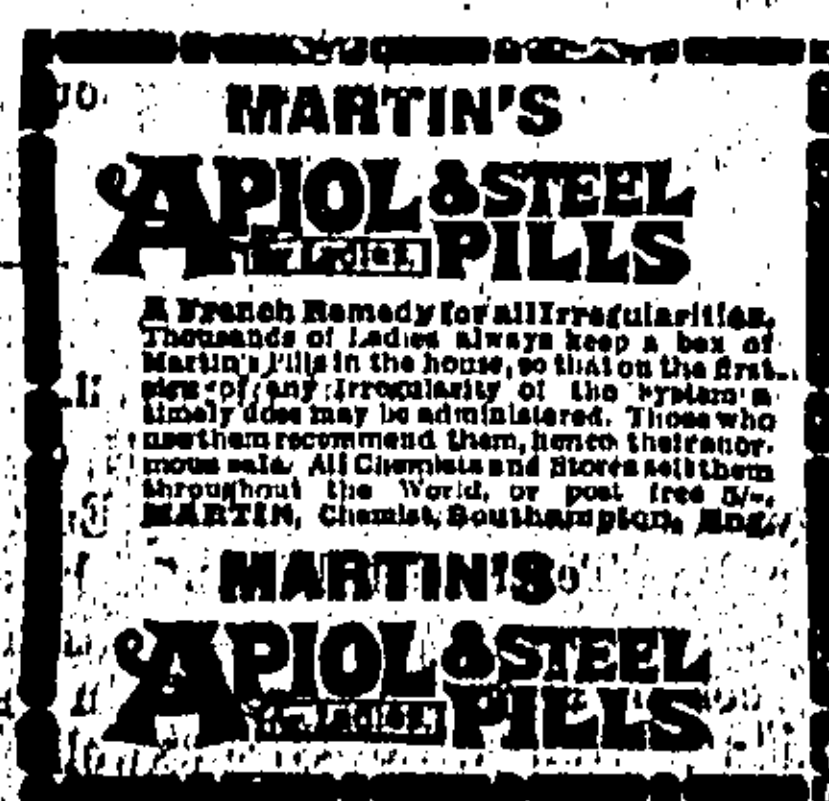
"SAXONE" BOOTS & SHOES

BOOTS
\$11.00SHOES
10.00

POWELLS Sole Agents SAXONE SHOE Co.

S.O.A.E.O.

FAR EAST OXYGEN AND ACETYLENE CO., LTD.
AUTODENOUS WELDING.
Repair of boilers and hulls, welding of cracks.
Renewing of corroded plates by addition of metal.
Welding of broken pieces of any kind of metal.
OFFICE: St. George's Building, 2nd Floor, Telephone 1088. 45



KUHN AND
Komor.
Under HONGKONG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD.
Established 1807.
THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED FIRM IN HONG
KONG.
ART CURIOS.
INSPECTION INVITED.

Notices

THE LEEDS FORGE CO.,
LTD., LEEDS.

Specialists in the Manufacture of RAILWAY ROLLING STOCK
of every description.
Pioneers in the Design and Manufacture of
PRESSED STEEL UNDERFRAMES and BOGIES and ALL
STEEL RAILWAY WAGONS.

The Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents in
Hongkong and China.THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING CO.
OF HONGKONG, LTD.Agents,
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1911. 42

THE WISE

Forward Their Parcels and Cases, etc.

BY THE

CHINA EXPRESS CO.

THE OTHERWISE

TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES.

Connections with the principal Express and Forwarding Agencies
throughout GREAT BRITAIN, THE COLONIES, AMERICA
and the CONTINENT OF EUROPE.PACKING AND WAREHOUSING,
BAGGAGE STORED OR TRANSHIPPED.Telephone No. 618. CHINA EXPRESS CO. 3, Duddell Street.
(ESTABLISHED 1844)

Hotels

HONGKONG HOTEL
A LA CARTE GRILL ROOM.

Now Open.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1911.

J. H. TAGGART,
Manager. 25

GRAND HOTEL.

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. TEL. ADDRESS "COMFORT"

Central Position; Large Airy Rooms; Hot, Cold and Shower Baths;
Electric Light and Fans Throughout; Large Comfortable Lounge; Private
and Public Bars; Billiard Rooms. HOTEL LAUNCH MEETS ALL
STEAMERS. Monthly Rates for Single and Double. SPECIAL DINNERS
AT SHORT NOTICE. CUISINE ENTIRELY UNDER EUROPEAN
SUPERVISION. Special Rates for Married Families. On Application To:
Tel. No. 197. F. REICHMANN,
PROPRIETOR. 62

ASTOR HOUSE

(LATE CONNAUGHT HOTEL)
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

CENTRALLY situated, up-to-date Hotel, Recently renovated, and under
entirely New Management. Large and Comfortable Rooms, Excellent
Cuisine under the supervision of an Experienced FRENCH CHEF, and
separate Tables, Hot and Cold Baths, Electric Light throughout. Terms
moderate, First Class accommodation for Families and Tourists.
For particulars and rates apply to PROPRIETORS.
Telephone, 170. Telegrams "Astor." 24

KING EDWARD
HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL.

Under European Management.

Electric Light and Lifts.

Latest Improvements.

Reasonable Rates.

Telephone 373.

H. HAYNES,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st Aug. 1912. 55

THE TAIWAN
RAILWAY
HOTEL.

TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

Under the Direct Management of the
Taiwan Railway Dept.EXCELLENT CUISINE AND
GOOD SERVICE. RATES
6 YEN AND UP.

Uniformed hotel porter meets all
trains and steamers. Luggage ar-
ranged for without any trouble to
guests.
Hongkong, 1st Feb. 1912. 132

J. T. SHAW,

FOR THE NEW SEASON.

Begs to notify the Public he has just received a very fine con-
signment of Gents Fine Foot Wear from the Leading English and
American Makers.

HIGH STANDARD OF QUALITY.

The footwear is remarkable for its sensible shapes, accurate fit,
high-grade materials and long wear. It is designed by experts
with such a nicety and on such correct principles that the boots
retain their shape to the last day of wear.

MATERIALS.

The leathers used are carefully selected from the best markets of
the world, and are durable and of light, firm texture specially suit-
able for the East.

HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.

G. FALCONER & CO., LTD.

WATCHMAKER & JEWELLERS.

have received a large section of fine ENGLISH DIA-
MOND JEWELLERY, RINGS, BROOCHES and
PENDANTS, set in PLATINUM and GOLD.

EXPANSION WATCH BRACELETS.
SILVERWARE.

Notice

WE BEG TO ANNOUNCE

that we can now manufacture on our premises
the new Kryptok invisible bifocal Lens.

The old style of cement bifocals with their
disfiguring and annoying dividing line has
been supplanted by a new lens with two foci,
the upper portion of the glass for distance and
the lower for reading, ground from one single
piece of glass.

You who wear two pairs of glasses may
now use one pair instead. No one can tell
that you wear bifocals. No cement to blister;
no thin segments to lose off.

Call and inspect this line. We grind
Kryptoks in regular or toric form.

WE LEAD, OTHERS FOLLOW.



MANILA

OFFICES

78, ESCOLTA

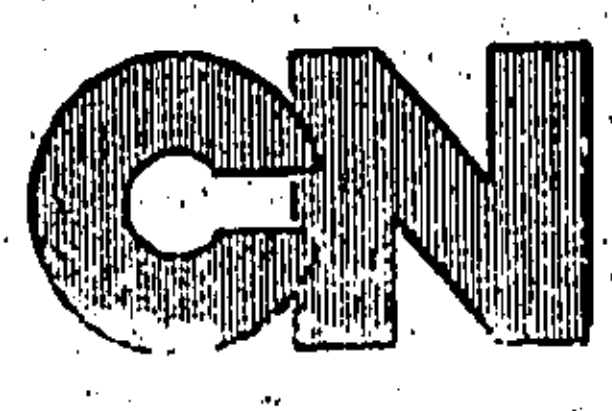
CN MAKES THE HOUSE
REALLY CLEAN CN

You housewives who scrub and scour with soap
and water—do you realize that you are cleaning only
the surface?

Soap is only a "top cleanser." It doesn't purify; it doesn't
thoroughly remove the dirt. It sinks into cracks and there simply
gathers more dirt and makes places for disease germs to gather. If
you want to really clean house, if you want to keep out the causes
of sickness, use CN.

CN is a wonderful cleanser. Put a little of it into a pail of water and you
have something that will make your floors, sinks, ice boxes and garbages clean
not only look clean but actually be clean—something that will drive out odors, purify
the atmosphere and protect your health. Wherever grime, impurities or germs
or to be found you need CN.

It is so powerful, so
quick in its action that it
saves you work and it
gives the results you
want.



disinfectant and anti-
septic. Although it is
non-poisonous, it is five
times as strong as car-
bolic acid. No kind of
disease germ can resist
it.

CN is not only a
perfect cleanser, it is a
substitute for cleanliness, but an aid to it. Use it from cellar to
garret. Seek out the places where you can find mould and smells and putrid
matter. Use CN there and you will have a clean, healthful home. Settle the
matter of cleanliness to-day. Tell your druggist that you want CN. Use it the
next time you clean.

Be sure to get "The Yellow Package with the Gable Top."

THE CHINA COMMERCIAL CO.,
DUDELL ST. TEL. 1208.

MACGREGOR'S

"V.O.S."

"PARLIAMENT BLEND"



AQUARIUS:
THE MINERAL WATER
PAR EXCELLENCE.

FOR SALE.

A LOT OF

GOLD WALTHAM WATCHES.

HIGH, GOOD TIME-KEEPERS.

AT BARGAIN PRICES.

In Order to Clear Stock.

GARRELS, BOERNER and Co.,
KING'S BUILDING.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1912

ORDER EARLY

Your Christmas Cakes, Mince Pies, Plum
Puddings, Hams, Turkeys, Geese, Chickens, Joints &c.
Melton Mowbray, Pork Pies, Game, Beef and Mutton
Pies, All Cooked and Ready for table.

ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.,

10, DES VOEUX ROAD;
BAKERS, CONFECTIONERS & RESTAURATEURS.OUR
CONTEMPORARIES.

Daily Press.

The Japanese Political Crisis.
There are writers who have
asserted that to render Korea safe
against attack from China, strong
posts would have to be built across
this great stretch of territory.
This then is the situation: At a
time when the nation was count-
ing upon some reduction of the
taxes following upon certain mea-
sures of retrenchment which have
been outlined after much con-
sideration by the Elder States-
men, the military members
of the late Cabinet have
been exerting every effort to
strengthen the defences of Korea.
In consequence of opposition to
this demand encountered in the
Cabinet, the Minister of War re-
signed and the whole Cabinet
followed suit within a week. It
would seem that, so far as the
public are aware, no case for this
increase in the garrison has
been made out, and we find
a leading paper like the "Koku-
men Shimban" insisting that
the day is past when the mili-
tary members of the Cabinet
can enforce their behests on the
country without enlightening the
nation as to their policy. The
anti-militarist party of politi-
cians, which is evidently very
strong in Japan to-day, is asking
whether the defence of Korea is
going to lead the nation? That
question will be largely decided,
it would seem, by the issue of
the present crisis, and in that
respect the political situation in
Japan is one which will be
watched with interest abroad,
especially by Russia and China.

China Mail.

Canada's Princely Gift.

We are of opinion that the
Liberals are not serious in their
opposition, and that their amend-
ment is a mere formal procedure
signifying nothing. The Cana-
dian Liberals would repudiate
with scorn even the slightest al-
lusion to their being less loyal
than their confreres in the Cabinet.
The recent utterances of Sir
Wilfrid Laurier, the leader of the
Opposition, give the lie direct to
this idea most emphatically. Of
course the caucus referred to
may, in a vain effort to bring
themselves into prominen-
ce, attempt to raise objec-
tions to the Government's pro-
posal. Little attention need be
paid to the matter, now that it
has been mentioned. Canada has
shown, and gives every indication
of showing, that she will never
fail in establishing even more
solidly than at present the in-
tegrity of the Empire of which
she is so important a part, and
is yet destined to be infinitely
more important—and that in the
proper maintenance of the Em-
pire's defensive forces—at least
of the Navy—she is prepared to
show not only her loyalty but her
ability and willingness to assist
generously.

South China Morning Post.

The Housing Problem.

The Portuguese community
have been hit hard by the boom,
but, happily, there is some relief
in store for them if we may so
judge the efforts being made
to promote the Kowloon Garden
City and Mr. Ede's housing
scheme at Wongneicheung.
There is, however, a class for
whom little or nothing has so
far been attempted. We allude
to middle and poorer class
Europeans, who, unaccustomed to
live in what is commonly termed
the "Chinese flat," are daily find-
ing the conditions of life in Hong-
kong becoming more and more
intolerable. There is no blink-
ing this fact. Many are willing
to put up with the conditions in
the faith that, as they say, "we
are here for only a few years any-
how," but there are other who,
having reared families in the co-
lony, have little prospect of re-
turning to the Homeland "in a
few years." Their case is excep-
tionally hard, and it is not fair to
nor good for their offspring to be
brought up amid surroundings
and companionships which can
only be compared to alldom.
Cannot something be done to
alleviate the lot of these people?

Full Board \$45.00 per month. French
tickets for 30 meals \$20.00. Strict
cleanliness and only best Materials used.
ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.

GENERAL NEWS.

For Raub's Water Supply.
Raub is to have \$70,000 next year for drainage and water supply, says the "Straits Times."

Faction Fight in Selangor.
There was a fierce fight between Kabuli factions at Kijow, near Sungai Besi, on November 29. It resulted in the death of the leader of one band, and injuries to ten other men. The dispute arose over a money squabble. Ten arrests have made.

Bangkok's Health.
The return of the number of deaths from communicable diseases which have been notified as occurring in the City of Bangkok during the week ended the 16th November, 1912, shows 1 death from smallpox, on the 15th, there being no notifications of deaths from Bubonic Plague, Cholera, or Enteric Fever.

Serious Riot in India.
A Calcutta message dated Nov. 22, states that a serious Bakrid riot over a cow sacrifice is reported from Ajodhya, in the United Provinces. Two Hindus were shot dead by the soldiers and armed police. Bayonets were freely used and 50 Hindus are said to be wounded. One Mahomedan was also shot dead, and about 15 others wounded. A cow was sacrificed on November 21, the operations being protected by cavalry. Hindu shops at Ajodhya have been closed since November 20.

The Council of India.
Sir William Lee-Warner, who was appointed to the Council of India by Lord George Hamilton on November 12, 1902, has now retired at the end of his statutory term of ten years, and so brings to a close an official career in the service of the Indian Government and people extending over 43 years. There is reason to hope that in his retirement Sir William will continue both his literary activities and his work on unofficial bodies for the advancement and welfare of the country he has so long and honourably served.

A Youthful Cricketer.
Hongkong cricketers will find something new in the following extract from one of the "Yorkshire papers":—"In a cricket match at Eton between two Houses, Kindersley and Churchills, the latter were all disposed of for seven runs. Kindersley's then went in, and off the first ball of the first over, a boy named Young, husband hit an eighter, all run out, thus beating the other side in one stroke. The same boy proceeded to make 217 not out, all run out, as there are no boundaries. The lad is only fifteen years old, and is the son of Colonel (now Major-General) G. J. Young, husband, who commanded the Yorkshire Yeomanry with great distinction during the Boer War.

Dutch Dreadnoughts.
The political weekly "De Fakkel" (Amsterdam) published the following on November 2:—We learn from a good source, while publishing the news under reserve, that M. Colijn, Minister of War and ad interim Minister of Marine, has at the present moment under consideration certain proposals for the construction of five Dreadnoughts for the defence of the colonies in the East Indies. The cost is estimated at two million sterling for each vessel, or a total of 12,000,000 fl. The Minister, it is added, will also propose a supplementary credit of 30,000,000 fl. for the construction and strengthening of harbour works in the East Indies. The total cost of 150,000,000 fl. (£12,500,000) would be spread over five years. Maynooth and Irish Protestants. Maynooth, where Dr. Hogan, the Vice-President, succeeds an Australian Archbishop-designate in the presidency, was considered by Cardinal Newman "the most important Catholic theological college in Christendom." It was established in 1795, mainly through the influence of a few large-hearted Irish Protestants, notably Burke and Grattan. Among the early benefactors was a Protestant peer, the then Duke of Liester, who sold to the college for a nominal price the present site in the little town where three centuries before a theological seminary had been established by an Earl of Kildare. The grants voted to Maynooth aroused fierce sectarian opposition in Parliament: until they were commuted for a lump sum when the Irish Church was disestablished.

THE BOOK WORLD.

Mr. H. G. Wells' "Marriage."

Till we read "Marriage" we might have been pardoned for thinking that H. G. Wells had never possessed any really high ideals; or at least to fancy that, if he ever had them, they were strangled soon after their birth by the sordid influences surrounding a childhood such as he depicts in "Tono-Bungay."

"Marriage," at first glance, gives the impression of being an ingenious mixture of the best that is to be found in "Ann Veronica" and "Tono-Bungay." But it is something more than this; for in it Mr. Wells strives—successfully, as we think—to get at what is behind and above the material side of things. The story is that of a young couple of the upper middle class who, in obedience to keen mental and physical attraction on both sides, marry while they are yet almost strangers. The husband is a scientific man whose whole life is bound up in chemical research; the wife, a complicated mixture of girlish girl and Society woman. Quite a few years suffice to show that the community of interests that makes the perfect union is lacking; he lives for science, she apparently only to gain social successes and outshine the other women of her set. Both naturally become embittered: the one because mismanagement of the household necessitates his devoting himself to the uncongenial task of cheap lecturing instead of to work that might bring him fame; the other, because a limited purse stands in the way of her more paltry ambitions. After two or three years, Trafford (the husband) abandons the lofty course he had planned for himself and applies his chemical knowledge to the manufacture of synthetic rubber and speedily grows wealthy. Husband and wife drift further apart, though living in superficial amity, till, after ten years of married life, Trafford determines on separation. Against this he is persuaded by his mother, who urges him to take with him on his pilgrimage to a lovely land the wife from whom he has been "minded to escape. Cutting away all ties, the pair decide to spend a year in the solitudes of Labrador, whither they retire with no other companion whatever and with no other plan than that they are going to learn all about each other, and perhaps find out God.

Sticklers for rigid construction will fall foul of Mr. Wells on many points; but his book is so great that he can afford to depart from accepted ideas as to the upbuilding of a novel. The book is a psychological study; not just a fret-work puzzle which, when finished, will leave every single piece in its duly appointed place.

Marjorie Trafford stands alone among Wells' women, as a character full of a thousand subtleties; a woman—before all things—of the 20th Century, yet, apart from certain non-essentials, one who might have lived at any period; and her creator represents her as a mixture not merely of good and not-good, but of all the many atoms and accidents of which goodness and its contradictory are composed; not a single factor is neglected, over-looked or slurred. Shrouding the eternal woman in her is the cloak of artificiality, crampedness and self-love that has been wrapped about her by the circumstances of her upbringing; she is, like the rest of us, the product of heredity, early example and environment; is, in fact, just what a girl would be coming of a mother who is far from wise and of a father whose god is conventional respectability, and whose calm self-centredness blinds him to everything—but his own importance.

Trafford is infinitely less complex, yet not a shade less real. He may be regarded as the sum of his author's experiences in the pursuit of the highest good. In "Love and Mr. Lewisham," Mr. Wells gives us the slightly commonplace soul, weak and terribly conscious of its weakness, foredoomed to failure where worldly achievement is concerned; yet ever groping after what is noble, and strong and true; in "Kipps" he paints a happier picture, of the pathetically

Prepaid Advertisements

ONE CENT PER WORD
FOR EACH INSERTION.

TO LET.

TO LET on 2nd Floor No. 2, Pedder Street.
One roomed Office. Apply Property Office, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 22nd May, 1912. [88]

TO LET FURNISHED No. 119D the Peak, from middle of April until end of October, 1913. Four bedrooms, Tennis Court and Garden. Apply to ELDON POTTER, Prince's Buildings.

TO LET Tugatum, 186 Barker Road, furnished for one year from 1st March, 1913.—Apply to L. A. Crawford & Co.

OFFICES TO LET.—First Class, central accommodation, light and airy, on First, Second and Third Floor, in new building being erected for Messrs. WHITEWAY LADLAW & CO., LTD. Entrance from Des Voeux Road. Electric Lift, to all floors. Electric Light throughout.
The plan can be seen and all particulars obtained at the Offices of Messrs. PALMER & TURNER, Alexandra Buildings, 8th Floor.
Hongkong, 8th Sept. 1912 [708]

empty little mind that tries despairingly to see into the meaning of things and that, being content with little, gains its end; while in "Tono-Bungay" he depicts a deeper and more virile nature, strong enough to grapple with life's facts and problems, yet handicapped throughout by a sordid consciousness of social inferiority. But the hero of "Marriage" labours under no disabilities other than what he chooses to make for himself; where his predecessors have begun life all too ill equipped, he starts with a clean and fair sheet. Whether or no he and Marjorie find the God whom they seek, must be left to the general reader to decide.

The style of "Marriage" differs noticeably from that of any of H. G. Wells' other work. The old humour is there, though frequently it takes more epigrammatic form; the revolt against primness and patronage is as marked as ever; but one's general feeling, on closing the book, is that the author's whole outlook has undergone a refining and mellowing influence since the "Tono-Bungay" days. From up-to-dateness he can never get away; perhaps he doesn't want to; synthetic processes, motor-cars, aeroplanes and the very newest educational theories all find due (we had almost said undue) prominence; and, alas, he cannot even take his hero and heroine into the great unknown of quasi-Arctic America without making them avail themselves of wireless telegraphy!

* Marriage; by H. G. Wells. Macmillan's Colonial Library.

GRACA & CO.

Under Hongkong Hotel.
CHRISTMAS TOYS,
AND
SOUVENIRS.

TO LET.

TO LET LARGE substantially built Godown situated on water front, East Point. For further particulars apply Property Office, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 13th Aug. 1912. [588]

TO LET Large furnished Room, Bath Room attached, suitable for two Bachelors or Married Couple, Private Family, near Ferry, Kowloon.—Apply to "Z.Z.Z." Hongkong Telegraph.

LOST.

LOST, Smooth Haired Irish Terrier Fitch between Lai-chi kok and Kowloon on November 29. Answers to "Moly." Reward to finder returning same to Lieut. Walcott, 25th Punjab, Lai Chi Kok.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Box's Exchange Table 1/1 to 2/2, \$5.00.—C. E. WARREN & CO.

RAYMOND TEAL CO.

The Raymond Teal Company gave their farewell performance last night in presence of a very good audience. The piece was "Who's who?" and in the leading role Mr. Fritz Fields achieved a very decided success as Bill Jackson—a young man whose wedding day arrangements are seriously put about by his having to appear before a magistrate as defendant in a gambling case. His various ruses to account for his conduct were remarkably funny and clever. Miss Corinne Carkeek, as the widow about to re-marry, was perfect throughout, and all the minor parts were well sustained. The chorus girls' contest was provocative of endless mirth, especially the performance of the two young ladies who gained the second for their vagaries on roller skates. Mr. Teal's "Merry Minstrel" interlude was as funny as ever, his parodies fairly bringing down the house. At the end of the first act Mr. Teal thanked the public for their patronage during his stay and announced that he would be returning to the Colony in the course of next year. The company leaves to-day for Shanghai by the s.s. China.

What the Tsarevitch Inherits.
The Tsarevitch has been described as the most valuable child in the world. If he succeeds to the throne, he will be in possession of some £40,000,000 at which sum the private fortune of the Romanoffs is valued.

Mel's Mincey's, Pork Pie, Beef, Mutton, Gam, Veal and Ham pies, Small Hot Pies always on hand 25 cents each.
ALXANDRA CAFE CO.

Notices

For Winter Cough, Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Slow Convalescence after Fever, Rickets and Wasting Diseases of Children.

TRY

COD LIVER OIL
EMULSION WITH HYPOPHOSPHITES.

Manufactured for us in London and guaranteed to contain 40% of COD LIVER OIL in a perfectly palatable form. It is easily absorbed by the most delicate Stomach and is superior to any emulsion on the market.

PRICE 75 CTS. & \$1.30 PER BOTTLE.

QUEEN'S DISPENSARY
Tel. 492 31, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

TURCO-EGYPTIAN TOBACCO STORE.

Just arrived Direct from Cairo, a LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF NESTOR CIGARETTES and TOCCOS CIGARETTES. In Boxes of 100 and 20.

Mixes perfectly with all Drinks.

Makes Plain Water
and
Aerated Beverages
just Perfect.



Greatly
IMPROVES
Whisky, Gin, &c.
and MODERATES Alcoholic
Effects.

GARNER QUELCH & CO.
SOLE AGENTS

Notice

WE ARE
PRACTICAL
OPTICIANS.

We can sell TORIC LENSES cheaper than anybody in China WHY? Because we have installed a new TORIC plant in our work shop and now

N. LAZARUS,
OPTICIAN.

1A, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN.

PLUNKET'S GAP

The Peak,
near the Tram Terminus
Tel. 56.

For Terms apply to the

MANAGER.

Notice

THE
GENERAL ELECTRIC
CO. OF CHINA, LIMITED.

MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS.

HEAD OFFICE—
7, Jinkee Road,
Shanghai.
Telegrams—
"Genlectric."

10, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong.
Telephone 518.
Telegrams—"Sparkless."

MANUFACTURERS of Complete Electric Plant, Power Schemes and Complete Telephone Installations.

WORKS.

LONDON, WITTON, MANCHESTER, BIRMINGHAM.
LARGE STOCKS held of all Electrical Supplies, Wires, Cables, Fittings, Shades, Bells, Telephones, Batteries, Switchboards and Switch Apparatus, Steam Dynamo Sets, Motors, Arc Lamp Carbons, Robertson Lamps and Osram Metal Filament Lamps.

FULL PARTICULARS AND ESTIMATES GIVEN

ON APPLICATION.

SHIPBUILDERS, SALVORS, AND REPAIRERS, BOILERMAKERS, FORGEMASTERS, BRASS AND IRON FOUNDERS, CONSTRUCTIONAL, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS.

THE WELDING AND CUTTING OF METALS

By the OXY-ACETYLENE SYSTEM

Modern Appliances for quick construction and repair of Ships, Engines, Boilers, Railway Rolling Stock, Bridges, and all Classes of Engineering, Iron and Wood Work.

Hydraulic & Pneumatic Tools, installed throughout the Works.

THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING CO.
OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.
TAIKOO DOCKYARD, HONGKONG

GRAVING DOCK
78ft. by 88ft. by
24ft. 6in.
Pumps empty Dock in
24 hours.

THREE PATENT SLIPWAYS taking vessels up to 5,000 tons displacement, providing conditions for painting ships with most efficient results.

100-TON ELECTRIC CRANE ON QUAY—ELECTRIC OVERHEAD

CRANES THROUGHOUT THE SHEDS RANGING UP TO 100 TONS.

50-TON HYDRAULIC TESTING MACHINE FOR CHAINS, WIRE ROPES, RIVETS, ETC.

Estimates given for Docking, Repairs to Hull and Machinery, Constructional Work.

DOCKYARD MANAGER, Mr. J. BIRD, can be seen between the hours of 11 A.M. and Noon.

MANAGERS AND AGENTS:

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
HONGKONG, CHINA AND JAPAN.

WATSON'S E

VERY OLD LIQUEUR.

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A BLEND OF THE FINEST PURE
MALT SCOTCH WHISKIES.

For over 80 Years WATSON'S 'E' has maintained
the reputation of the FINEST SCOTCH
WHISKY in the FAR EAST.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The rates of Subscription to the "Hongkong Telegraph" will be as follows:—

Daily issue—\$36 per annum.

Weekly issue—\$13 per annum.

The rates per quarter and per month, proportional. Subscriptions for any period less than one month will be charged as for a full month.

The daily issue is delivered free when the address is accessible to messenger. Peak subscribers can have their copies delivered at their residences without any extra charge. On copies sent by post an additional \$1.80 per quarter is charged for postage. The postage on the weekly issue to any part of the world is \$1.00 per quarter.

Single Copies, Daily, ten cents. Weekly, twenty-five cents (for cash only).

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

(Payable in Advance.)

By Order,

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

The object of this paper is to publish correct information, to serve the truth and print the news without fear or favour.

Cable Address: Telegraph, Hongkong.

Telephone: No. 1. A.B.C., 5th edition Western Union

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1912.

HOUSING SCHEMES AND PROBLEMS.

We published recently an account of a scheme for the building of a suburb for Hongkong which—so its promoters claim—would smooth many of the difficulties from the path of our less wealthy Portuguese fellow citizens by giving them well-built houses, in a healthy neighbourhood and at a cheap rental. At present there is too little evidence at hand, for and against the plan, to justify us in expressing any opinion where its wisdom and practicability are concerned; but we think that few Britishers of limited income will read of this new scheme without being tempted to ask: "Is nothing to be done for us?"

Our readers do not need to be reminded that house-property in the Colony is growing steadily more valuable; everywhere rents are being raised, and the problem of how the married Britisher is to live decently and rear his children in anything like a congenial atmosphere, on a small salary, is more fraught with difficulties than ever. There are hundreds of men in the Colony whose salaries do not exceed \$300 a month, whose position obliges them to keep up a decent social appearance, and who, as things now are, have little choice between maintaining wife and children at a hotel, at a ruinous expense as well as at the sacrifice of that seclusion which, to the Englishman, means home—and taking a house or flat whose rent and general upkeep will swallow an alarming proportion of the monthly salary. And even if they follow the latter course they still cannot live in an exclusively European quarter; still cannot get away from more or less objectionable Chinese neighbours.

Such men may well want to know when some housing scheme for them is coming along. If they take a small four-roomed house at Kowloon at a moderate rate—say \$60—they may find that they are sandwiched between Indians and Chinese; if they move into a better quarter, at twice the rent, they must take in a boarder to help meet expenses, and so destroy that privacy which they have a right to demand; and still they cannot hope to find only European neighbours. If life is to be worth living in Hongkong for the white man of small means, the Government will decidedly have to draw up a plan for his housing. After all, he is of as much consequence as people of other nationalities.

DAY BY DAY.

Nothing can impair perfect friendship, because truth is the only bond of it.

Another Truck Act Prosecution.
A man was fined \$3 by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, for a breach of the truck-loading regulations. The shafts of the truck were said to be trailing on the ground and damaging the road.

Another Dumping Case.
The body of a Chinese male child has been found on the railway embankment near Tai Po. There is nothing suspicious about the affair, the police state. The body is believed to have been placed there by some boat people to save burial expenses.

Too Much Drink.
At the Police Court, this morning, a ship's engineer, named Peter Shields, was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne with being drunk and incapable and also with assaulting a lunko, damaging his uniform to the extent of some dollars. Defendant was fined \$10.

Disorderly Chinese.
Three men who were drunk and fighting in Centre Street, were arrested by the police from West Point, but only two appeared at the Court, this morning, to answer to the charge. The bail of the absentee, \$5, was exonerated and the two appearing were fined \$3 each.

Woman's Rash Act.
A Chinese woman was bound over to be of good behaviour for twelve months in a personal bond of \$100, by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, on a charge of disorderly conduct. According to the evidence the woman was drunk and either jumped or fell into the Harbour.

Manager Transferred.
Mr. S. Hiroi who has been manager of the Hongkong branch of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha has been transferred to the head office at Osaka to act as traffic manager of the coasting lines department. He leaves for Osaka to-day by the Canada Maru. Mr. Zoku Kamiya has been appointed manager of the Hongkong branch in his place.

Opium Divan.
Twenty-one Chinese were charged before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, with being concerned in an opium divan at 40 Centre Street, West Point. Two of the defendants were discharged, one for "keeping" was fined \$250 or in default two months, and the remainder were each fined \$2 or in default seven days.

Causing an Obstruction.
At the Marine Magistrate's Court, this morning, before Commander Basil Taylor, R. N., P. C. Dyke, charged Wan Shan, master of the licensed cargo boat 564Y, with unlawfully making fast to the Wing Lok St. Wharf in such a manner as to cause an obstruction to the Southern Fairway in Victoria Harbour on December 9. Defendant fined \$5.

Shop Fire.
About four o'clock yesterday afternoon a small fire broke out in Heller Street at a shop. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a lighted candle falling on some canvas bags and setting fire to some coils of galvanised wire, which were valued at about \$400. The wire is insured in several offices. The employees of the shop extinguished the flames.

A Coxswain's Complaint.
The coxswain of the steam launch Cheung Wo has reported to the police that at 6-45 yesterday evening, whilst towing a cargo boat from Hongkong to Yaumati, and when about to enter the refuge, the steam launch Wo Sang, leaving Yaumati for Hongkong, steamed straight in between his launch and the cargo boat he was towing and damaged the cargo boat to the extent of \$100.

Constable's Fatal Fall.
The police report that Indian Constable Dey Singh, 559, fell out of a window at the Central Police Barracks, about ten o'clock last night, and was killed. Some time ago another Indian fell out of a similar window in the same room and he was also killed. The man Dey Singh was attending at the Central Barracks for musketry. It is supposed that the deceased got out of bed and walked to the window.

THE ADAMASTOR.

Historic Portuguese Vessel.

The Portuguese Cruiser Adamastor which reached Macao yesterday has a history which is closely bound up with that of the Republic. On the morning of the rising of the cruisers Rafael and Adamastor arrived off Alcantara, after hoisting the Republican flag, and opened fire on the Palace at a range of a thousand yards. The second shot carried off the Royal ensign, others going wide and knocking down adjoining houses. The cruisers then steamed back to the Arsenal and bombarded the Ministries of War and Marine, killing some employees at their desks. They shelled the Praça Commercio, killing some of the Municipal guards and many spectators. A reply from the shore made the "Rafael" retire, but the more powerful "Adamastor" steamed past the Arsenal jolly and bombarded the impregnable citadel of San Jorge. Though the shelling did little damage, the large garrison hauled down the Royalist ensign, and hoisted the Republican colours. The then Commander of the "Adamastor" has since been elevated to Chief Executive Officer of the Navy. His successor, the present Commander, A. do Sousa Diaz, was then a Senior Lieutenant, who happened to be in the Naval Barracks at the time of the Revolution. He also took an active part in the revolutionary movement, and was shortly after rewarded by being promoted Commander. The "Adamastor" is fitted with wireless telegraphy, as also are all the other ships belonging to Portugal. The installation was carried out by English engineers.

Captain Diaz while in Colombo spoke very appreciatively of England's friendship towards the Republic, and added that Portugal no longer desired only to be helped by England, but that she was now determined to bring herself into a position to be able to help England, if required. With this object in view the Government had recently passed a vote providing for the building of three "Dreadnoughts" of 22,000 tons each, three cruisers, 12 destroyers of 880 tons displacement each, and a few submarines. Provision was also made for the erection of three wireless stations on the coast of Portugal. To put it in the words of a Lieutenant who helped Captain Diaz to carry on the conservation, "Portugal does not want to be a useless ally, but a fighting ally." Recently they had been carrying out manoeuvres in the Army, which it has hoped to make more efficient, while they were quite confident of success in the reorganization of the Navy.

LOTTERY TICKETS.

The Chinese charged by D. S. Grant, with being in possession of lottery tickets for the purpose of sale and "writing or printing" lottery tickets, at 90 Hollywood Road, was again brought before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this afternoon.

Mr. Moore, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Mase, defended.

A Chinese detective said he went to the house in question at 7.15 p.m. on the 7th inst., along with D. S. Grant. He got into the room on the second floor where the defendant was working by means of a sliding door which was unfastened. As entered the first cubicle and saw the defendant in the act of chopping some tickets with the chop produced. The sergeant followed witness into the room, but he did not see the defendant chopping the tickets. Defendant was sitting at a desk. The bundle of documents produced was by defendant's side. The case had not concluded when we went to press.

Yaumati Fire.

A small house fire broke out in Shanghai Street, Yaumati, at six o'clock this morning. The Hongkong Fire Brigade was called out but on arrival found that their services were not required.

Tang Shao-yi Arrives.
Tang Shao-yi who was the first Premier of the Chinese Republic, arrived in the Colony with his daughter on the s.s. Kwai-chow from Tientsin in route for Macao where, we understand, he resides.

FRENCH FINANCIER.

Baron Cottu's Impressions of Canton.

Baron Cottu, the well-known French financier, and his friend, Mr. A. T. Barberini, have returned from a trip that included Macao, Canton and Whampoa, and left to-day by the "China" for Shanghai, on route to Paris, via Nankin, Pakow, Tientsin, Peking and the trans-Siberian railway.

When interviewed by a representative of the "Hongkong Telegraph," yesterday, Baron Cottu said of the South Chinese:—
"They are very anxious to do the best they possibly can for their country, more so perhaps than the Northern Chinese. But they seem to forget the counter effects of the European Powers. That is to say that they are, in my opinion, a little over-zealous and do not see very far ahead."

"I was greatly surprised at the richness of the country and its productive possibilities." Proceeding, Baron Cottu said: "The Chinese would very soon attain the results that they hope for, if they would take into serious and careful consideration the rules and customs of Western financiers! This," he added, "is somewhat of an enigmatical expression, and you must draw your own conclusions."

"I found it extremely difficult," he added "to get, to the bottom of anything. The wealthier people were very reticent, and most of them evaded pointed questions with rare diplomacy: oh they are very clever, the Chinese!"

"They are developing the city of Canton in a most intelligent way, and I think that the left bank of the river will eventually be the site of an entirely new city, because it has better commercial opportunities. Although persistent rumours are about that trouble is brewing in Canton, I saw no signs of it; everything was quiet and orderly, and the general impression that I have obtained during my stay there, was that of a city in a state of marked and growing progress."

With regard to the late fire, the Baron continued:—

"A small area was wiped out in the centre of the Old City, but this was really an excellent thing, because it gives the Municipality the opportunity to rebuild this portion in the most modern way, and especially to establish there, decent shops, and clean, sanitary markets, which are badly needed." "Oh yes," the Baron laughed, "of course I played Fan-Tan, for the first time in my life, and won on Number 3, three times in succession; then I stopped, and cleared off with my gains!" "The weather has been perfect during the three weeks that I have been away, and I have many pleasant memories to take to Paris with me, one of which is lovely Macao. What a beautiful place it is."

The Baron may return to the East in a few months' time.

BREACH OF CONTRACT.

In the Summary Court this morning, before the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz, Leung Shi and Wong Kwai, contractors, brought an action against Chan Leung Kee, to recover \$820.90, damages alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiffs, by reason of the defendant's breach of contract in respect of reclamation work which the plaintiffs were engaged to execute.

Mr. W. B. Hind who appeared for the plaintiffs, informed his Lordship that the defendant had filed his petition in bankruptcy. It was necessary for his clients to obtain judgment before they could prove the debt in bankruptcy.

It appears that after the plaintiffs had done about five days' work on the reclamation at Sham Shui Po, the defendant stopped them and replaced them by a sub-contractor.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff.

Voyage Reports.

The s.s. Loongsang, from Manila, reports having experienced strong monsoon and large seas on the run up. The s.s. Tsintau, from Singapore, reports heavy N.E. winds, sea and swell.

OFF TO SINGAPORE.

American Aviator will not Fly Here.

In an interview with a representative of the Hongkong "Telegraph," Mr. Atwater, the celebrated American Aviator stated to-day that he had decided not to give exhibition flights on his Curtiss-Hydro-aeroplanes in the Colony.

"Although H.E. Sir Henry May has been kind enough to accord me his permission to make flights within certain boundary limits, the dates are such as would prohibit the fulfilling of my contract to fly at Singapore on Christmas Day, and my three machines are now being transferred from the s.s. Manchuria to the s.s. Princess Alice. I hope to return to Hongkong later in the season," Mr. Atwater added, "and to give a series of marine-air exhibitions that will prove the value of the Curtiss machines."

Mrs. Atwater, who has made many flights with her husband, admired Mr. Konzminsky's aerial work at Macao, but she is naturally a firm convert to the bi-plane form of machines.

Mr. Atwater is the holder of many records, the one for speed being especially noteworthy, 105.1-4 miles per hour, over a circular track, at San Diego, California, and others of both height and endurance flights.

HUMAN HAIR CASE.

Judgment Given this Morning.

This morning the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees Davis, K. C., delivered judgment in the case in which Chan Po Kong, trading as the Chi Cheong, firm, sued Hu Kwan Taim, compadore to the late firm of Messrs. Eberius and Co. to recover the sum of \$5,000 odd alleged to be due for quantities of human hair sold and delivered at the request of the defendant.

Mr. C. G. Albaster, with whom was Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind, for the defence.

His Lordship in his judgment remarked that evidence both for the plaintiff and the defendant was unsatisfactory, and in many respects unreliable. He had to decide the case largely upon probabilities aided by the documentary evidence. As he stated at the hearing, as a result of the expert evidence called by him, he would ignore any question as to the authenticity of the chops.

His Lordship in the result found for the plaintiff for the amount claimed with costs, certifying for two counsels.

A stay of execution was granted on the application of Mr. F. C. Jenkin.

QUARRY RIGHTS AND LAND SALE.

By public auction, at the P. W. D. yesterday afternoon, the right to quarry stone on lots of Crown land was let. There were no bids for land in Ngau Shi Wan, Tsat Taz Mui, Lok Un, Ma Ti, Jordan Road, Kowloon, Yaumati, Huk Tsau Heung and Ngau Tan Kok. The only two offers accepted were those in regard to land at Tsat Taz Mui which were for \$450, and at Shauiwan for \$4,252. The bidders were Li Po and Li Ping, respectively.

At the P. W. D. yesterday, Mr. Li purchased 8,380 sq. ft. of land in Macdonnell Road, above the Union Church, for \$6,100, after brisk bidding. The upset price was \$2,508.

Lecturer Fined.

A Chinese lecturer who caused an obstruction at West Point, was fined \$5 or in default fourteen days, at the Police Court, this morning, by Mr. Hazeland.

Found Dead.

The dead body of a Chinese male, aged about thirty years, hawker has been removed from Temple Street, Yaumati. The man had been ill for some time.

West Point Gamblers.

Six gamblers from Shaik Tong Tsui, were fined \$4 each by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning. The sum of \$5.20 found by Inspector Dymond was confiscated.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A Piqued Sportsman.

It is regrettable to find that a local amateur boxer on Saturday night was so piqued at a decision being given against him that he declined to accept the gold medal awarded as second prize. The man who cannot accept the decision of a referee in any sport should give up the game. Admittedly it is not altogether easy to congratulate a man who has just beaten you and no more, but until a man can do that smilingly he is not a real sportsman at heart. No runner or boxer can win every time. He is ever so strong and clever, the luck of the game will one day run against him. And a man should make up his mind to this before he enters the game; or he should stay out.

The Broken Vow.

The Chinese are still neglecting the trams and are apparently firm in their resolve not to enter them. But vows have a way of being broken, as the cynical Voltairre once showed very happily. Readers will remember that Zidig, on one occasion asked his wife what had put her out of temper.

"I went," said she to console the young widow Cosron, who two days ago raised a tomb to her young husband beside the stream which forms the boundary to this meadow. She vowed to Heaven in her grief, that she would dwell beside that tomb as long as the stream flowed by it. . . . and she was diverting the course of the brook."

We assure our fair readers that we do not fully endorse this cynicism of Voltairre. The quotation, however, illustrates the unwisdom of hastily registering a vow to do without things (like trams and husbands) which are rather necessary in these days. Clever Lines.

The verses by a lad of nine, which appeared on Saturday tempt us into quoting the following lines from a Home paper. Those who have had letters from hopeful and hintful (to coin a word) nephews will realise the ring of truth in the lines:—

DIPLOMACY.

Dear Uncle Jack,

I write to say
My birthday party proved just
great,
And I was in my bed next day,
And senna is a stuff I hate;
And daddy says the simple truth,
Is that I should have eaten
less.
And baby's got another tooth;
And mother's got a nice new
dress;
And Freddy Johnson's Uncle
Joe
Has sent him down an aero-
plane,
And mother says she wants to
know
When you intend to call again;
And Freddy Johnson says (oh,
dear,
But don't I wish that I were
him?)
That Christmas time will soon be
here,
With heaps of love,
Your nephew,
Jim.

The Trades Union Again.

Has not our friend the British striker rather gone beyond himself this time? According to Reuters' wire, three thousand railwaymen have gone on strike because the employers refused to reinstate an engine-driver convicted of drunkenness! In one sense we are not sorry to hear of this new act of folly on the part of the trades unionists, for their cause will be all the weaker for the amount of sympathy that it will lose. Hitherto it has found many indirect supporters among a class of persons that was moved rather by sentiment than by any clear grasp of industrial problems. This class will now assuredly have its eyes opened to the iniquity of allowing the unions such a voice in the ruling of affairs as they have lately had. The gorgeous impudence of the men's demand, in this case, is only equalled by the brutal selfishness of it. A thousand people may meet their death through riding in a train driven by a drinking man; twenty thousand women and children may starve through the strike! Mac-kee! The dear British workman must have his way; the omnipotent union must be obeyed, and—God save England!

SPECIAL CABLES.

TWENTY-FIVE MILLIONS.

CHINA'S PROPOSED
SEXTUPLE LOAN.

[Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, December 10.
The general outlines of an Agreement for a loan of \$25,000 sterling have been arranged by the Sextuple Loan Syndicate with the Chinese Minister of Finance.

OPIUM IN BOMAY.

Exceptional interest attaches to the Report of the Opium Department of the Bombay Presidency for the financial year 1911-12, owing to the introduction during that period of the practice of selling by auction the right of exportation of Malwa opium from Bombay by sea. Under the new arrangement, which actually came into operation at the beginning of 1912, the Pass duty per chest has been raised to Rs. 1,200. Three sales were held during the period covered by the Report, and the average price paid at the auctions was Rs. 1,774.13 in January, Rs. 1,781.8 in February, and Rs. 3,136.15 in March. The total number of chests imported and lodged in the Bombay warehouses during the official year was 12,107 as against 9,010 1-2 in the preceding year, and out of these and the balance of 2,002 1-2 in stock on April 1st, 1911, 14,035 1-2 chests were exported to China, 3 1-2 chests to Zanzibar, and 1-2 chest to Mombassa, while 635 1-2 chests were sold for home consumption in the Presidency, including the Native States. The balance found in stock on March 31st, 1912, was 209 chests and 55 lbs. against a book balance of 374 1-2 chests. The deficiency is much smaller than in 1910-11 and is attributed chiefly to the fact that the chests brought down in the year under review for export to China did not remain so long stored as those shipped during the preceding period, and there was in consequence a smaller loss through dryage. The total Imperial revenue collected from opium in the Presidency was Rs. 1,04,72,488—an increase of Rs. 1,02,84,973, or 5.485 per cent. It will be seen, says the Commissioner of Customs, that during the year under report a very material change has taken place in the system of dealing with opium intended for export from India. The export duty has been doubled, and Government have brought into operation measures designed to secure both for Imperial revenues, and for the revenues of the States in which the opium is grown a fair share of the value which, under existing conditions and restrictions attached to the right to export opium to China—(Ex.)

LOCAL SPORT.

BILLIARDS.

The semi-finals of the Grand Hotel Billiard Tournament will be played as follows:—

Mr. Henthote meets Mr. Martin to-night at 9 o'clock.
Mr. Phillips meets Mr. Mc. Lennan to-morrow night at the same hour, and the winners of these two matches meet in the Final on Thursday, also at the same hour.

Sergeant Tom Pitt has challenged the winner to play him 500 up (owe 250) on Friday evening. It will be remembered that the proprietor of the Grand Hotel has offered a handsome gold watch as the first prize; the second is a gold and silver cigarette case, and the third, given by Messrs Kruse and Company, is a prettily shaped silver cup. A cue in case goes to the maker of the highest break.

Mormon Missionary Sentenced.
At Gloucester on November 9 Edward Floyd Walton, a native of Salt Lake City, Utah, who has been in England eight months for the ostensible purpose of carrying on missionary work on behalf of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, was convicted on two charges of indecent behaviour with intent to insult females in villages near Gloucester, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The magistrate also decided to recommend the Home Secretary to make an order for the prisoner's expulsion.

A HARD CASE.

What the Police Have to
Contend with.

A man was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of ammunition.

Defendant said that he was unemployed, had no fixed place of abode, had only been in the Colony three days, and the ammunition was given him by a man to carry. He did not know where he was taking the ammunition to (laughter); he was really given it to hold. He did not know the man who gave it to him.

His Worship said he believed the man could give the police some valuable information if he liked. Inspection McDonald said he believed he could, but he was too well paid for that.

Defendant was fined \$25.

A CHANNEL TUNNEL.

Sir A. Conan Doyle's View.

Founded for the purpose of combined action in France and England with a view to developing travel in the two countries, the Franco-British Travel Union held its inaugural dinner at the Cafe Royal on November 5. Lord Montagu of Beaulieu (president of the Union) occupied the chair.

Speaking in response to the toast of "The Visitors," Sir A. Conan Doyle said the least intelligent thing which had been done in our generation was the refusal to build the Channel tunnel. It was, in his judgment, a matter of such urgent national interest that it should be pressed forward at once to completion. (Cheers). But it should be a Government undertaking, for it was far too important to be in private hands. If the Government did it it might prove to be a national investment equal or superior to the Suez Canal shares. In the first place it would bring an enormous increase of tourist traffic, while the advantage of taking merchandise across without transhipment was too obvious to need dwelling upon.

It was the advantage in war that was most important. A tunnel would be a cheap and complete insurance against national starvation. If we lost command of the sea for a short time we should be forced to make a dishonourable peace, and why should we rest content with that state of things when we should readily insure against it? They were told the cost would not be great, nor the task hard, and the tunnel once completed, corn from the South of Europe could reach us in safety. While if they had to send an army to the Continent, France being our ally, the army could pass over with none of the danger and trouble of a sea passage.

The minor advantages were manifold, and the only drawback he had ever heard mentioned was the danger of invasion through a hole in the ground thirty miles long, which could be at any time blocked up, or destroyed, was the kind of danger which he should not feel justified in discussing before an assembly of sensible men. If the estimates were correct we could, for the price of about three Dreadnoughts, have an absolute insurance against the one great threat which another nation could hold over us (Cheers).

Labour Member's Libel Action.

At the Newcastle-on-Tyne Assizes, before Mr. Justice Pockford and a special jury last month, an action was brought by Mr. John Wilson, M.P., general secretary of the Durham Miners' Association, against George Harvey, miner, of Grange Villa, near Chester-le-Street, claiming damages and an injunction against the defendant in respect of an alleged libel contained in a pamphlet issued by the defendant in June last, entitled "Does John Wilson, M.P., Serve the Working Class?" The jury found for the plaintiff, and awarded him \$200 damages. The Judge gave judgment for this amount, and granted an injunction.

WHOSE OPIUM?

Wife Appears and Accuses her
Husband.

A woman was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of opium dross valued at \$16.80.

Mr. C. F. Mason, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, was instructed to defend in Court.

A plea of not guilty was entered by Mr. Mason.

His Worship:—She has pleaded guilty already in answer to the charge. "The opium dross is mine," she said.

Mr. Mason:—She says now it is not hers.

His Worship:—Well she cannot withdraw the plea. Will you call the witnesses for the defence?

Mr. Mason:—Will you adjourn the case for about an hour, your worship?

His Worship:—Yes, I suppose it is now a question of bail. Bail as before, \$200.

The case was mentioned later, Mr. Mason stating that the plea of guilty could stand, but asked the Bench to accept defendant's story that the opium belonged to her husband. He thought a small fine should be imposed as she was not really the guilty party. It was found in the house but it was her husband's.

The case was remanded for the husband to be called; bail in \$200 again being allowed.

NEW CHINESE PREMIER
AND OPIUM.

Writing on the opium question, Mr. Edwin J. Dingle alludes to the fact that Chao Ping-chun, the new Chinese Premier, is an avowed opium-smoker. Mr. Dingle thinks that the fact should not be passed over lightly, that the man holding one of the highest positions in China, and whose influence is widespread, admits in the Parliament of the country that he himself is an opiumist, and that he still intends to be. Mr. Dingle pays a tribute to the way in which the Manchus had attacked the opium evil. In 1909-10 he travelled some 8,000 miles overland in Interior China. Crossing China from Shanghai to British Burma he was able to inspect the country, and could testify even then to the resolutions with which the Manchu Government had set its face against the drug and all evils connected with it. To-day, however, he admits so many reports reach the coast ports of China regarding the areas in which the poppy is again being grown that it is difficult to tell the exact position. Since the revolution, and the coming of a strong Government in the Interior, there can be no doubt that advantage has been taken by the people in outlying areas to revert to the old conditions. So long as there is no very drastic hold upon the common people and the small landholders, the cultivation of the poppy will be the order of the day. We may, however, note that it is announced the Chinese Government is already taking action to enforce prohibitive measures in various districts.—"I and C. Express."

DAMAGING PLANTATIONS.

Five Chinese women and a boy and girl were charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, with damaging Government plantations. The charge was not pressed against the boy and girl.

An official from the Forestry Department said the Government had decided to plant 60,000 young pines and when these people cut grass in the neighbourhood of Beacon Hill Tunnel they could not help but cut these pines which were planted six feet apart.

His Worship said the damage to the extent of \$20 had already been done. He fined the women \$2 each and dismissed the children with a caution.

Taken Ill.

A man who went to Yau-mai to see a doctor, took suddenly ill in Woo Sang Street, and had to be removed to the hospital by the police.

IMPERIO DEL MUNDO
"CABINET."

THE FIVE FINEST BRANDS

OF

Manila Cigars tastefully assorted
in Box of 50 Cigars.

SUITABLE AS A PRESENT.

KRUSE & CO.

To-day's Advertisements

For the Festive Season.

OWN FARM FED

TURKEYS, CAPONS,

CHICKENS and PORK.

WE HAVE ALSO IMPORTED

HAMS, BACON, PHEASANTS,
&c. &c. &c.

THE DAIRY FARM CO.

COLLISION SEQUEL.

Each Party Makes a Claim for
Damages.

Sitting in Admiralty Jurisdiction, with Commander C. W. Beckwith, R. N., as assessor, this morning, the Chief Justice Mr. W. Rees Davies, K. C., heard two consolidated actions arising out of a collision which occurred on May 2, 1912, off the Waglan Lighthouse, between the s.s. Loong Sang, owned by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. and a fishing junk belonging to Yeung Hing Hi of 26 Main St., Aberdeen.

The claim was by the latter for \$400 for damages alleged to have been caused by the collision, and in a cross summons, the owners of the steamship claimed \$350 for damages.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. M. W. Slade, K. C., instructed by Mr. W. Davidson, of Messrs Hastings and Hastings, was for the defence. His Lordship briefly welcomed Mr. Slade back to the Colony, this being his first appearance since his return.

Mr. Potter said the facts of the case were very short. On the evening of May 20 of this year, the junk Fook Kon Li, in company with a sister junk, it was the custom of fishing junks to fish in pairs—left Aberdeen and proceeded in a South Easterly direction. Evidence would be called to prove that the junk in question carried the ordinary lights. Everything went well until they got ten miles south east of Waglan. It was a dark night; there was no moon, and no fog; it was what he understood was described as "dark but clear." In the early hours of the morning of May 21, at about 1 a.m., the s.s. Loong Sang said 3.18 a.m.—they sighted the s.s. Loong Sang at a distance of 400 ohennags. Seeing that a collision was inevitable, a noise was made on board the junk, and gongs were beaten. That, however, had no effect and the junk was struck amidships. After the accident had occurred the Loong Sang did everything to protect the lives of the crew of the junk, and in fact towed them half-way to Hongkong, when they were

taken up by a police launch or a tug. There was no suggestion that everything which could be done was not done by those in charge of the Loong Sang after the accident. The main point in the case was whether the plaintiff showed the lights he said he did. There would probably also be another point, whether, assuming his client had no regulation lights, had the Loong Sang taken sufficient precautions to avoid an accident in the existing circumstances. The case was proceeding as we went to press.

THE LETTER CARRIER.

A man was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, with bringing thirty-nine letters into the Colony from Macao, the same not having been stamped, thereby defrauding the Revenue authorities. Defendant said a man gave him twenty cents to take them to the Po Yuen Hing. He was fined \$40 or in default five weeks.

DON'T FORGET.

To-day
Organ: Recital St. John's
Cathedral.

Friday, Dec. 13.
"The Boatwain's Mate" Theatre Royal.

Saturday, Dec. 14.
"The Boatwain's Mate" Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 17.
"An Ideal Husband" Theatre Royal.

Thursday, Dec. 19.
"An Ideal Husband" Theatre Royal.

Coal Cargo.
The s.s. Isobe Maru, from
Milke, brought 3,200 tons of
coal to Hongkong to-day for the
M.B.K.

To day's
Advertisements

TO LET.

TO LET, houses in Austin Avenue,
Kowloon, immediate possession.—
Apply to A. Raymond, c/o S. J. David
& Co.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

DAIRY FED PORK

Charles Lamb in his dissertation on the PIG, was the first to tell us how the Chinese love their pig—dead and roasted; but it is not for us! We know that pig, and SOME of the things he is fed on—but not all!

Ah; but this is DAIRY FARM PIG, a dainty little fellow, fed on the fat of the land, DAIRY FARM MILK and all the good things in pigdom.

Is there any difference in Pork? Well, for goodness sake, where do you live? Buy it, try it, eat it, then you will KNOW. Cooked to a turn—the Chinese know how—and the "crackling"—UM.

Don't wait for Christmas, you may be dead before that—and so may the pig!
October 18, 1912.

TELEPHONE AT ONCE

TO

HONGKONG, 636

and ask for

MOUNIE'S BRANDY.

LIQUEUR.

GARNER, QUELCH & CO.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

"WALK-OVER"
BOOTS.

BLACK or BROWN

AS ILLUSTRATED

\$10.00 PER PAIR

A Large Selection of Shapes every Pair Guaranteed.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

CLIFFORD WILKINSON'S

TANSAN.

The
One
and
Only
Genuine
Tansan

The
Choicest
of
All
Choice
Waters.



GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.

Wine Merchants.

12, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong 15th November 1912

Shipping

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S.

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.
"EMPEROR LINE."

Sailings from Hongkong and St. John, N. B.

"Monteagle" ...	Satur. Dec. 14	"E. of Britain" ...	Fri. Jan. 10
"E. of India" ...	Jan. 11	"E. of Ireland" ...	Feb. 7
"E. of Japan" ...	Feb. 8	"E. of Ireland" ...	Mar. 7

All steamers leave Hongkong at 7 A.M.
To Vancouver, B.C., calling at Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, B.C.
Passengers booked to all the principal ports in Canada, the United States and Europe, also around the world.
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to—
D. W. Craddock, General Traffic Agent,
Corner Pedder Street and Praya (Opposite Blake Pier).

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	On
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 14th Dec., 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & MOJÍ	KUTSANGI	Friday, 13th Dec., daylight.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 21st Dec., 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, & CALOUTTA	YATSHING	Wednesday, 18th Dec., Noon.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Tuesday, 19th Dec., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Tuesday, 17th Dec., Noon.
SPORE & SOURABAYA	FAUSANG	Saturday, 14th Dec., Noon.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (Occupying 24 days).
The steamers "Kutsang" and "Kungsang" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Japan returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 20 days. This service is supplemented by the "Laisang" and "Kungsang" leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Moji and Kobe and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 16 days.
These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.
Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Cheloo, Tientsin, Dairen, Weihaiwei, Tsingtau & Newchwang.
Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Kudd, Lahad Dato, Singapore, Tawau, Usakan, Jesselton and Labuan.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD.
Telephone No. 216. General Managers. [8]

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY
"SHIRE" LINE SERVICEPROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamers	DATE OF DEPARTURE
SHANGHAI KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	CARMARTHENSHIRE	14th Jan.
LONDON & ROTTERDAM ANTWERP	MONMOUTHSHIRE	18th Jan.
SHANGHAI KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	PEMBROKESHIRE	4th Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE	24th Dec.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PEMBROKESHIRE	4th Feb.

* Does not carry passengers.
These steamers have superior accommodation for a limited number of First Class Passengers. Cabins are situated amidships, and are fitted with electric light and fans. Attention is particularly directed to the moderate fares charged.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.
AGENTS. [94]

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO, AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.
HONGKONG TO CANTON CANTON TO HONGKONG
TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER.
10.00 p.m. "FATSHAN." 5.00 p.m. "HONAM."
WEDNESDAY, 11th DECEMBER.
8.00 a.m. "HONAM." 8.00 a.m. "KINSHAN."
10.00 p.m. "KINSHAN." 5.00 p.m. "FATSHAN."
These steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.
S.S. "SUI TAI" Tons 1851 S.S. "SUI AN" Tons 1851
HONGKONG TO MACAO.
Week days at 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 9 A.M. & 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG.
Week days at 7.50 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sundays, at 7.30 A.M. and 5 P.M.
EXCURSION TO MACAO
SUNDAY, 15th DECEMBER.
The Company's Steamship, "SUI AN."

will depart from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 A.M. and return from Macao at 5 P.M.
N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M. from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF.
This steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 6 P.M.

FARES AS USUAL.
Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.
S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons.
Departures from Macao to Canton on Mon, Wednes., & Fri., at 9 P.M.
Departures from Canton to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Satur., at 4.30 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.
S.S. "SAINAM," 588 Tons, and "NANNING," 589 Tons.
One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUI." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.
Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.
Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.
HOTEL MANSION (FIRST FLOOR).
Opposite the Bank of China. [144]

Shipping

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destination	Steamers	Sailing Dates
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SOERABAYA & PORT SAID	TANGO MARU, Capt. K. Kawara, T. 18,500	WEDNESDAY, 18th December at Daylight.
EUROPE &c	KAMO MARU, Capt. F. L. Sommer, T. 16,000	WEDNESDAY, 1st Jan., at daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJÍ, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, OHI, & YAMAGUCHI	AWA MARU, Capt. Shimidzu, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 31st Dec., at noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY Island, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 9,300 YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, T. 7,010	FRIDAY, 20th Dec. at Noon. WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.
AMERICA &c	SADO MARU, Capt. Asakawa, T. 12,500 YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, T. 7,000 MISHIMA MARU, Capt. E. A. Moses, T. 16,000	TUESDAY, 14th Jan., at Noon. WEDNESDAY, 18th Dec., at Noon. THURSDAY, 18th Dec., at daylight.
CALOUTTA via SINGAPORE and Rangoon	KIRIN MARU, Capt. M. Deguchi, T. 5,000	SATURDAY, 14th December.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and Colombo	TOTOMI MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, T. 5,000	MONDAY, 24th December.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Tozawa, T. 12,000	TUESDAY, 10th December.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	RANGOON MARU, Capt. Kamoshita, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 18th December.

† Cargo only.

‡ Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy.

PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1913.

FOR EUROPE.

Steamer	Tons displacement	Leaving H.K.
Mishima Maru	16,000	29th January.
Kaga Maru	12,500	12th February.
Asaka Maru	16,000	26th February.
Hitaichi Maru	16,000	12th March.
Miyasaki Maru	16,000	26th March.
Kitano Maru	16,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,500	23rd April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	13,500	21st May.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer	Tons displacement	Leaving H.K.
Inaba Maru	12,500	11th February.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	25th February.
Tamba Maru	12,500	11th March.
Awa Maru	12,500	25th March.
Sado Maru	12,500	4th April.
Yokohama Maru	12,500	22nd April.
Inaba Maru	12,500	6th May.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	20th May.

(Subject to change without notice.)

[5] T. KUSUKOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	STEAMERS	To SAIL
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	11th " 10 A.M.
SWATOW, YAMOI & SHANGHAI	"ICHANG"	11th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	12th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	14th " 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"TAMING"	17th " 4 P.M.

This steamer has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUI."
S.S. "LINTAN" is a twin screw steamer "Tama" and "Taming," saloon accommodation amidships; electric fans fitted; extra state-room on deck, all Saloon accommodation of s.s. "Kai-fong" is situated on deck, all; Electric Fans fitted.

S.S. SHANGHAI LINE—FAST SCHEDULE TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS (Anhui, Chusan, Linan, Chinkai), with excellent passenger accommodation. Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

S.S.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailings. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.
These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Reduced Fares:—Single \$45. Return \$75.

NEW SERVICE.

SHANGHAI TO ANTUNG

Sailing on alternate Wednesdays.

For Freight or Passage apply to

T. KONG, No. 30.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1912.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Shipping

HONGKONG—PHILIPPINES.

PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP CO.



Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	4000	F. E. Crose	Manila, Mangarin, Lolo and Orba	FRIDAY, 27th Dec., 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Lolo and Orba	TUESDAY, 17th Dec., 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 7th December, 1912. [14]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Regular fortnightly service between JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tiliwong	JAPAN	1st half Dec.	JAVA	1st half Dec.
Timanok	JAVA	1st half Dec.	JAPAN	1st half Dec.
Tibodas	SHANGHAI	1st half Dec.	JAVA	1st half Dec.
Tikini	JAVA	1st half Dec.	SHANGHAI	1st half Dec.
Tilatap	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.	JAVA	2nd half Dec.
Tipanas	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.
Titaroom	JAVA	1st half Jan.	JAPAN	1st half Jan.
Tijmah	JAVA	1st half Jan.	JAPAN	1st half Jan.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers, and will take cargo to all Ports in Netherlands-India on through B/L.
For particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN, York Building.

Telephone No. 375

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

Imperial Japanese Trans-Pacific Mail Line.

SAN FRANCISCO LINE

Connecting with the Western Pacific Railway at San Francisco to all ports in the United States and Canada and with Trans-Atlantic Lines to Europe.
PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration.)
Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing
S.S. "Chiyo Maru" 11,000 W. W. Greene Dec. 21st, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru" 21,000 A. G. Stevens Jan. 11th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru" 21,000 E. Best Jan. 17th, Noon.
S.S. "Shio Maru" 21,000 E. Best Feb. 14th, Noon.
These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws.
All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.
The steamer "Chiyo Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 21st Dec., at Noon.
INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.
The twin screw steamer "Nippon Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 11th January, 1913, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

In connection with the National Railway of Mexico at Manzanillo and the Tehuantepec National Railway at Salina Cruz.
Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration.)
Steamer Tons Date of Sailing
Kiyu Maru 17,500 Saturday, February 1, Noon 1913
Buyo Maru 10,500 Thursday, April 3, Noon 1913.
For Further Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to

S. MORIMOTO, Agent.

(KING'S BUILDING Opposite Blake Pier) [1]

"THE BIG" 4 OF THE PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

MONGOLIA	MANCHURIA	KOREA	SIBERIA
27,000 tons, twin screws.	27,000 tons, twin screws.	18,000 tons, twin screws.	18,000 tons, twin screws.
Also, 11,000 tons, China, 12,000 tons, and Persia, 9,000 tons.			

From Hongkong calling at Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe (via Inland Sea), Yokohama and Honoluli (the Pacific of the Pacific). Through Service via New York to Europe.

SOME FEATURES OF SERVICE.

LIGHTS AND FANS Individual Electric Reading Light in each berth and Electric Fan in each State-room under passenger's control.
SWIMMING TANK Is installed on deck for salt water plunging. Bathing suits on board.
BAND Filipino string Band Concerts each afternoon and evening and also during Tiffin and Dinner.
CUISINE The Cuisine is under the direct supervision of one of the world's most famous caterers.
GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS Deck Games, such as Quoits, Shuttle board and all kinds of gymnastic sports, are arranged during the voyage, as well as indoor amusements, such as musical entertainments. Dances and Wagoner's Ball on deck are also arranged to while away the time.
WIRELESS AND SUBMARINE SIGNAL SERVICE The most powerful Wireless Telegraph apparatus is installed on all steamers, and Submarine Signal Service is used as an additional measure of safety.
BULO KEELS Are fitted to the hulls to prevent rolling at sea, thus ensuring steadiness and constant comfort.
THE COST Is not more by this route with its unrivalled opportunities, than by any other route.
For return ticket to London the cost is but 4s. For the INTERMEDIATE SERVICE First Class accommodations are provided for £4 to London (return ticket 4s) and to San Francisco 4s. SPECIAL RATES to officers, Army, Navy, Consular or Civil Service.

Steamers: * China, 10,200 Tons Starting at 1 p.m.
Manchuria, 27,000 " " Dec. 17th, at 1 p.m.
* Nile, 11,000 " " Dec. 31st, at 1 p.m.
Mongolia, 18,000 " " Jan. 3rd, at 1 p.m.
Passengers holding through Tickets have the privilege of travelling by train between Kobe and Yokohama, free of charge.
* Intermediate Steamers.
LET US PLAN AN ITINERARY FOR YOU
King's Building (Opp. Blake Pier) FRED J. HALTON, Telephone No. 142
Hongkong, 5th September, 1912. Agent.
Panama-Pacific International Exposition-San Francisco-1915. [56]

MEE CHEUNG.

ART PHOTOGRAPHER

HONGKONG.

TELEPHONE NO. 1013.

Davies, Fairstone & Riddell.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1911.

WING KEE & CO.

47-49, Coanought Rd.

SHIPHANDLERS.

PROVISION & COAL

MERCHANTS

Hongkong, 25th May, 1911.

LOG BOOK.

Oriental Pearl Fisheries.

Presiding at the meeting of the Oriental Pearl Fisheries and Trading Company, in London, Mr. A. Davidson said that there was nothing to add to the statements contained in the report of the directors for the twelve months ended on April 31st last. The birdskin trade had shown an improvement, and some consignments were on the way which the directors hoped would yield a good profit to the company. As to the investments, they had been taken at cost, and at the present time showed a slight depreciation, but during the year they had realised some of the investments, which in the aggregate showed a fair profit. In the circumstances, the directors were again not drawing any fees for their services, and it was not their intention to do so until the position of the company warranted it.

British Shipyards and Foreign Rivalry.

Just now there are building in the private yards for Brazil, Chile, Japan, and Turkey no fewer than six large armoured vessels, and in addition there are a number of smaller cruisers and torpedo craft under construction for foreign Powers. There was a time when all the Powers of the world requiring warships which they were unable to build themselves came to England for the them, but the development of the yards in some other countries has now led to a rivalry which is very keen and persistent. With Germany this is particularly the case, since there, stimulated by Government orders, a number of new yards have come into existence which, now that the output of national ships is being reduced, have to look abroad for work in order to maintain their activity. This rivalry shows itself in various ways, not all of which seem quite fair and above-board.

No complaint can be made if the latest examples of German shipbuilding are sent on voyages which have at least the appearance of an advertisement of German handiwork, but it is another thing to claim, as the "Cologne Gazette" did on the 9th of last month, "a complete victory over English shipbuilding" on the score that four destroyers building in this country for the Argentine Republic "have now been definitely refused." This statement is contrary to the fact. The contract for these boats was cancelled upon the application of the builders, and the proposal for its rescission in no way emanated from the Argentine Government. The "Cologne Gazette" implies throughout the article, which it entitles "Victory for the German Industry of Building Warships," that there was some kind of competition between the English and German firms in respect of the destroyers ordered by the Argentine Government, the object of each being to surpass the other, particularly in the matter of speed. The suggestion is altogether erroneous; for, while the English firm supplied engines of 23,000 shaft horse-power, with which the contract speed of 32 knots was obtained, the German firm, which had a similar order, installed engines with a shaft horse-power of 25,500, and thus obtained a higher speed. It is the British practice to secure all the advantages of sea-worthiness, habitability, and efficiency consistent with the attainment of a speed specified by the purchasers. Whether this is the German practice has not been made manifest; and the "Cologne Gazette" is apparently unaware that during the voyage out to the Argentine one of the German boats had frequently to be towed, and sometimes two of them, while since then it has been reported that so much trouble have these vessels given, both with engines and with guns, owing to the weakness of their hulls, that their crews have nicknamed them "los barcos de papel" (the paper boats). It has also been stated that at least one gun will have to be removed from each vessel, and, however this may be, it is evidently not soon for the Cologne Gazette, to announce a victory for German shipbuilders.

Fillot Haddock, Kippers, Bloaters, own Smoked Fish, Fried fish, and Chipped Potatoes.

ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.

Shipping

HAMBURG-AMERIKA
LINIE.IN CONJUNCTION WITH
Deutsche Dampfschiffahrts Gesellschaft "HANSA."EAST ASIATIC SERVICE.
Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA, and PHILIPPINES,
via STRAITS and COLOMBO,

Marseilles, Havre, Bremen and Hamburg and New York.

Taking Cargo at Through rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste,
Lisbon, Oporto, Genoa, and other Mediterranean Levantine Black Baltic Sea and
Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
S.S. SAMBIA	S.S. LIBERIA
" ARMENTA	For Marseilles Havre & Hamburg:
" ALTMARK	S.S. SEGOVIA
" SILESIA	For Havre & Hamburg:
" O. J. D. AHLERS	S.S. ALESIA
" SUEVIA	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
	S.S. BRASILIA
	For Havre & Hamburg:
	S.S. SAMBIA

Hamburg-Amerika Linie,
Hongkong Office. [12]BRITISH INDIA S. N.
CO., LTD.NEW FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN
Kobe, Hongkong and Rangoon.

EASTWARD.

The S.S. "OKARA," Captain Evans, will be despatched for YOKO-
HAMA & KOBÉ on the 10th December, at Noon; to be followed on the 16th
December by the S.S. "UPADA" taking Cargo and Passengers at current rate.
For Freight or Passage, apply toJARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
AGENTS.Telephone No. 215,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1912.

LOG BOOK.

Vancouver Shipping.

Vancouver shipping has grown
rapidly of late years. The follow-
ing figures, showing the total
number of vessels and tonnage
inwards and outwards, including
coasting, illustrate this fact:—

Year.	Vessels.	Tonnage.
1896	4,871	1,496,827
1906	10,763	3,563,342
1911	16,775	8,038,913

A New Ship Canal.
Mr. J. Lawrence Hamilton, M.
R.C.S., writes to the "Finan-
cier"—Chiefly to develop the
coal and iron districts around
Pittsburg (Pennsylvania), by 1920
a gigantic internal waterway,
2,700 miles long, is to be com-
pleted at a cost of about \$33,000,
000, or more if necessary. This
scheme is technically called the
"Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship
Canal," and it has had the ap-
proval and support of the United
States National Waterways Com-
mission, which has, of course,
secured from the various States
concerned the necessary funds.
The waterway will, perhaps, ben-
efit Canada more than the United
States, because of the larger quan-
tities and superior qualities of
Canadian coal and iron, which are
also cheaper than these products
in the States. Canada, without
contributing one half-penny to this
scheme, is likely eventually to
derive more profit therefrom than
the United States, who provide
all the funds. When the Erie
Canal across the State of New
York is opened in 1916, and
Ohio River is canalised by 1920,
there will then be an unbroken
navigable waterway connection
for ships and barges from New
York to New Orleans. From New
Orleans, via the Gulf of Mexico,
these ships can proceed through
the Panama Canal to secure the
Pacific trade, and thence to Japan,
China, Australia, etc. United
States experts jubilantly declare
that this great system of uniform in-
ternal navigable waterway will open
up half of the American Continent
(as well as Canada) to steamers
and barges of standard dimen-
sions. This navigable waterway
will introduce competitive rail and
water rates and freights to benefit
inter-State and international com-
merce for the United States, and
simultaneously, make the Panama
Canal effective and of practical
use to all sections of the country
reached by these interlinked and
connected waterways. The com-
petition of waterways against
railways will do more to restrict
railway rates than all pos-
sible laws enacted by Congress
and the State Legislatures
combined. In the United States
the railway charge for 180miles for ores or coal much
exceeds the water charge for 1,000
miles. In other words, ore is
carried by boat from Duluth (on
the south-western end of Lake
Superior) the Ashtabula (adjoining
Lake Erie)—a distance of about
1,000 miles. At Ashtabula the ore
is transferred to cars and rail-
road 130 miles to the furnaces in
Pittsburg, which will be, of course,
included in the navigable internal
waterway now being constructed.
To smelt the iron ores, coal as
return freight in the opposite
direction has been subjected to
similar vexatious exorbitant
charges. United States experts
consider that the coal and ore
trades in the Pittsburg district
will more than provide for the
working and maintenance of the
internal waterway, and at the same
time halve the present railway
rates for this portion of the service.
It is asserted that the existing
tonnage movement in the Pitts-
burg district is already larger
than any similar sized area in the
world. But the day is not far
distant when Canada will have
several localised, self-contained
Pittsburg districts, far richer and
greater even than the Pittsburg
region of Canada's southern
neighbour.Much of the increasing immi-
gration of United States subjects
into Canada is designed to secure
Canadian coal deposits, iron
mines, natural gas and oil de-
posits before these are acquired
by British subjects. Hydro
electric energy, or "white coal,"
is also much cheaper and more
abundant in the Dominion than
in the United States, whose well
informed natives know the end-
less varied subsoil wealth of
Canada far better than most
Canadians and other British
subjects.

New French Army Uniform.

The Council of Directors have
decided the future uniform of the
French Army, the object in view
being to secure, as far as possible,
the invisibility of the troops in
the field. The Council adopted a
grey-blue colour both for the long
coat and for the tunic. The present
kopi will be maintained, but it
will be covered, until the present
stock of headgear is exhausted,
with waterproof material of the
same colour as the coat. The red
trousers will not be abolished, as
the long coat of the French In-
fantry hardly allows them to be
seen in the field, and they will
also be partly concealed by the
leather gaiters which are now
partially in use and will in future
be universally employed. The
existing epaulettes will be main-
tained, but will be covered by a
less visible material in the field.

VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Denbighshire	J. M. & Co.	28 December
London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Nile	P. & O. Co.	11 Dec., about
Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Alesia	H. A. L.	24 December
do do do	Sambria	H. A. L.	11 January
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Liberia	H. A. L.	15 December
Bremen, and Hamburg, &c.	Brasilia	H. A. L.	5 January
do do do	Fuerst Buelow	H. A. L.	23 January
Marseilles and Hamburg, &c.	Segovia	H. A. L.	18 December
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	1 February
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Duneric	Bank Line	Begin January
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	Canton	A. N. & Co.	15 January
Trieste via Singapore, Penang & Colombo, &c.	Africa	S. W. & Co.	19 December
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, Southampton	Prinzess Alice	M. & Co.	11 December

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York	Egremont Castle	D & Co.	19 Dec., about
New York	Erroll	D. & Co.	14 Dec., about
New York via Suez Canal	Schuykill	Bank Line	30 December
New York via Ports and Suez Canal	Swazi	S. T. & Co.	9 Jan., about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Chiyo Maru	T. K. K.	21 December
do do do	Manchuria	P. M. Co.	17 December
Victoria, Vancouver, &c.	Ookley	Bank Line	17 December
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	28 December
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Awa Maru	N. Y. K.	31 December
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	14 December
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	11 January

Australia.

Australian Ports	Changsha	B. & S.	4 January
Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. & Co.	13 December
do do do	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 December
do do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	28 December

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroen	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjimahi	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Singapore and Sourabaya	Fausang	J. M. & Co.	14 December
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Yatsang	J. M. & Co.	18 December
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Japan	D. S. & Co.	12 December
do do do do	Kirin Maru	N. Y. K.	14 December
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	23 December
Sandakan	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	19 December
Japan	Tijilong	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjimanoeck	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
do do do	Vorwaerts	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
Kobe and Yokohama	Mishima Maru	N. Y. K.	19 December
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Yawata Maru	N. Y. K.	18 December
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Si-Kiang	M. M. Co.	18 December
Amoy and Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Soshu Maru	O. S. K.	11 December
Shanghai, Tsingtau, Kobe and Yokohama	Kleist	M. & Co.	12 Dec., about
Swatow	Haiman	D. L. & Co.	11 December
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	13 December
do do do	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	17 December
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	15 December
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	18 December
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	14 December
do do do	Yuenasang	J. M. & Co.	21 December
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	17 December
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	17 December
do do do do	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	27 December
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Rangoon Maru	N. Y. K.	18 December
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Katsang	J. M. & Co.	13 December
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Armenia	H. A. L.	17 December
do do do	Amazona	M. M. Co.	16 December
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Novara	P. & O. Co.	12 Dec., about
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Canton	A. N. & Co.	11 December
do do do do	Tijlatjap	J. O. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do do	Tjikini	P. M. Co.	Quick despatch
do do do do	Delta	P. & O. Co.	19 Dec., about
do do do do	Koerber	S. W. & Co.	5 January
do do do do	Chenan	B. & S.	12 December
do do do do	Linan	B. & S.	14 December
do do do do	Kwongsang	J. M. & Co.	17 December

To Sail

RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER
FLEET.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE S.S. "KOUBSK" 640
R.T. Commander Padalka, is
expected to arrive in Hongkong on
Wednesday the 11th December and will
leave most likely on Saturday morning
the 14th December.This steamer will call at Sing pore,
Colombo, Djibouti, Djeddah, Suoz, Port
Said, Beyrouth, Constantinople, Odessa
and Batoum.Cargo for the above mentioned ports
will be accepted without transhipment.
This steamer has accommodation for
31 first class passengers.After the steamer's arrival, the ship-
per, that have booked their cargo, will
be informed by special notice about the
date and hour when they can send their
cargo alongside the steamer.For Freight, Passage and further
particulars, apply toCaptain D. A. LUKHMANOFF
AgentHotel Mansion 3rd floor,
Telephone No. 1224.

Hongkong, 7th Dec., 1912.

One-time Hongkong Officer's
Appointment.Major G. H. Neale, 3rd Middle-
sex Regiment, is to succeed Lieut.
Col. Hayes, of the same corps, as
commandant of the depot at Dar-
jeeling.

To Sail

Hongkong—New York.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ
CANAL.HONGKONG-NEW YORK
(With liberty to call at the Malabar
Coast)British S.S. "SWAZI"
on or about 9th January, 1913.For freight & further information,
apply toSHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd Dec. 1912. [587]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG,
RANGOON AND CALCUTTA.(Taking cargo on Through Bills of
Lading to Rangoon, Madras and
Calcutta.)

THE Steamship

"JAPAN"

Captain C. P. Seddon, will be de-
spatched as above on THURSDAY,
the 12th Dec., at 1 p.m.

For freight or passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO. LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th Dec., 1912.

MOVEMENTS OF
STEAMERS.VESSELS ADVERTISED TO
DEPART TO-MORROW.

For	Vessel
Ceylon.	Nile (P. & O.)
Haiphong.	Singap.
Europe.	Princess Alice.
Swatow.	Haimun.
Japan.	Okara.
Macao.	Sui Tai.
Ocean Island.	Isabe-maru.
Swatow.	Iohang.
Japan.	Canton.

VESSELS ADVERTISED TO
ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

From	Vessel
Java.	Hopsang.
Singapore.	Canton.
Cheloo.	Lienhsing.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. Nil, with the
American Mail left San Francisco for
this port, via Honolulu, the usual Japan
port, Shanghai and Manila on Satur-
day, the 23rd ult.The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. China
will be dispatched for San Francisco
via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yoko-
hama and Honolulu on Tuesday, the
10th inst.The P.M. str. Mongolia, with the
American mail, left San Francisco for
this port via Honolulu, the Japan ports
and Manila on the 30th November.The T. K. K. s.s. Shinyo Maru,
left Nagasaki for Kobe, Yokohama,
Honolulu and San Francisco on the 7th
inst.The T. K. K. s.s. "anyo Maru"
arrived at San Francisco from Hong-
kong and usual ports of call on the 2nd
inst. and leave again for this port on
the 13th inst.The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru
left San Francisco for Hongkong via
usual ports on the 7th inst. and may be
expected here on the 3rd January.The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru
left Kobe on the 5th inst. and is due in
Hongkong via Manila on the 14th
inst.The P.M. s.s. Manchuria, voy. 86,
will be dispatched from this port at 1
p.m. on Tuesday December 17th, for
San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of India
left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong
(via usual ports of call) on the 24th
November, a.m.The C.P.R. s.s. Empress of Japan,
which left here on the 16th November,
arrived at Vancouver, B.C., on the 6th
inst., at midnight.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Kleist, carrying the
German mails with dates from Berlin of
the 13th November, left Singapore on
the 8th inst. at 8 a.m. and may be ex-
pected here on or about at daylight on
the 13th inst.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. str. St. Albans, from
Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 2nd
inst. for Timor, Manila and Hongkong.The N. Y. K. s.s. Yawata Maru
Antralian Line, left Sydney for this
port via ports of call on 27th November,
and is expected here on the 16th
December.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The s.s. Shimo-sai sailed from New
York on the 24th inst., for Far East,
via the Straits.The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru, left
Manzanillo for Hongkong on the 29th
Nov., and is due in Hongkong on the
18th January.The str. Lovat, left Singapore on the
6th inst., a.m., and is therefore due
here on or about 12th inst.The str. Kansas, passed the Suez
Canal on the 3rd December, and is due
here on or about 3rd January.The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s s.s.
Canton, left Singapore on the 4th inst.
and is expected to arrive here on the
11th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Hopsang,
from Java, is due at Hongkong on the
11th inst.The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kamsang,
left Singapore for this port on the 5th
inst. at 7 a.m. and is due here on the
13th inst. at about 2 p.m.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Yatsang,
from Moji, is due at Hongkong on the
10th inst. and leaves Straits and Cal-
cutta on the 18th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kamsang,
from Singapore, is due at Hongkong on
the 10th inst., and leaves for Shanghai
and Japan on the 13th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kamsang,
from Calcutta and Straits, is due at
Hongkong on the 17th inst. and leaves
for Japan on the 19th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Lienhsing,
from Cheloo, is due at Hongkong on
the 11th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Saisang,
from Java, is due at Hongkong on the
16th inst.The I.-O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kwongsang,
from Shanghai, is due at Hongkong on
the 16th inst.The Shire Line s.s. Pembroke, from
London, is due at Hongkong on the
13th inst. She passed Canal on the
15th ult.The India Line s.s. Indramayo, from
New York, is due at Hongkong on the
23rd inst. She passed Canal on the
25th ult.The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Upade,
from Rangoon, is due at Hongkong on
the 14th inst., and leaves for Japan on
the 17th inst.The Mogul Line s.s. Lovat sailed
from the United Kingdom on the 26th
October for the Far East via the
Straits.The Silk ex O.S.K. s.s. Seattle Maru
which left Hongkong on the 31st Octo-
ber, was delivered in New York, on the
6th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Ariake Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,183, Sato,
7th Dec.—Milke, Coal—M.
B. K.Asia Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,588, Nishi, 7th
Dec.—Cheloo 30th Nov.,
Gen.—Chinese.Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, A.
P. Ulders, 7th Dec.—
Machon 6th Dec., Gen.—J.
& Co.Daito Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,274, Katayama,
6th Dec.—Dairen 29th
Nov., Coal—M. B. K.Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,534, J. Jenkins,
28th Nov.—Samarang 10th
Nov., Sagar.—Man Fat.Drufar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, J. Bing, 9th
Dec.—Bangkok via Swatow
8th Dec., Gen.—Kin Tai
Loong.Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jensen, 8th
Dec.—Hobhow 6th Dec.,
Gen.—J. & Co.Ichang, Br. s.s., 1,227, W. F. Jones,
9th Dec.—Canton 8th Dec.,
Gen.—B. & S.Kohshichang, Ger. s.s., 1,192, Roscher,
8th Dec.—Hobhow 7th Dec.,
Gen.—M. B. K.Japan, Br. s.s., 2,795, O. P. Seddon,
4th Dec.—Moji 29th Nov.,
Coal and Gen.—D. S. & Co.Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,143, Rees Lewis,
6th Dec.—Canton 5th Dec.,
Rice—B. & S.Kiang Ping, Chi. s.s., 1,222, Udden,
8th Dec.—Canton 7th Dec.,
Gen.—Chinese.Kinkiang, Br. s.s., 1,223, W. J.
Prior, 8th Dec.—Canton
7th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.Kumchow, Br. s.s., 1,450, Martin,
4th Dec.—Salgon 26th Nov.,
Gen.—Man Fat & Co.Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,320, Wynn, 5th
Dec.—Salgon 22nd Nov.,
Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.Lord Curzon, Br. s.s., 2,887, P. G.
Henrickson, 2nd Dec.—Moji
26th Nov., Floor, etc.—Or-
der.Lord Derby, Br. s.s., 2,401, H. Fellows,
5th Dec.—Seattle via Manila
2nd Dec., Gen.—B. L.Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, A. Dixon,
7th Dec.—San Francisco 8th
Nov., Mail and Gen.—P. M.
S. S. Co.Marie, Ger. s.s., 1,800, H. Schlarik,
6th Dec.—Haiphong and
Hobhow 7th Dec., Floor—J.
& Co.

HOTEL LIST.

HONGKONG HOTEL.	
Adair, Mr. and Mrs. Hoogh, Dr. S.	
Adams, Mr. and Innes, Capt. R.	
Mrs. W. P. Jensen, A. J.	
Adams, Mr. and Judah, Mrs. A. N.	
Mrs. J. W. E.	
Adams, Miss F. Jones, Mrs. O.	
Almy, Com. and Joseph, S. L.	
Mrs. A. C. Kadoorie, Mr. and	
Anderson, R. N. J. Mrs. and small	
Anyon, B. H. Keisler, E.	
Atwater, Mr. and Komor, S.	
Mrs. W. B. Kousmiansky, A.	
Barber, A. T. Kulka, F.	
Barzman, F. Kvasick, Mr. and	
Barzman, F. Mrs. V.	
Bate, E. B. Lask, G. M.	
Beaumont, G. A. Landall, Mrs.	
Bellio, Mrs. M. R. Law, Mr. and	
Beas, G. A. H. D.	
Bernard, J. Lehmann, R.	
Beynon, Capt. O. R. Lehnert, G. F.	
Blanch, Mr. and Lloyd, G. T.	
Mrs. N. F. Lowie, S.	
Ball, Mrs. O. R. MacGregor, M. C.	
Beckner, O. Mackenzie, A.	
Bon Khusen, MacLennan, D.	
Buckley, E. G.	
Burt, W. H. MacIntyre, Mr. and	
Carson, P. Mrs. Neil	
Chapman, G. A. Moore, Mrs.	
Christie, R. N. Marriot, Dr. O.	
Claxton, A. A. Matheson, Mrs. R.	
Cokely, T. J. T. and child	
Collins, Mrs. B. V. Maxon, Mrs. C.	
Collins, Miss B. C.	
Cooper, Miss C. Melcher, J.	
Cotta, Baron Marshall, W. L.	
Cowan, Mrs. W. F. Maxon, Miss W.	
Crocker, Mrs. M. B. Mehta, K. B.	
Crozier, Mrs. L. H. McKenny, Dr. C.	
Curry, G. P. W. and Mrs.	
Dallas, J. F. Mickle, D. M.	
Davis, C. H. Miller, H. W.	
Deane, A. F. Miller, H. W.	
Deitch, Mr. and Mitmore, Mr.	
Mrs. T. and Mrs. E. V.	
Deitch, Mr. and child	
Douglas, Mrs. R. H. Moorman, W. E.	
Drew, W. O. Mulder, Mr. and	
Eaman, Miss M. A. Mrs. J. D. F.	
Eaman, Miss M. D. Mrs. J. D. F.	
Eddies, A. H. Nothomb, Capt.	
Ehrenfeld, Mr. and Mrs. F. U.	
Mrs. H. C. Rhodes, Mr. and	
Fearnley, Mr. and Mrs. H.	
Mrs. A. E. H.	
Finlayson, Mrs. C. Reay, Miss F.	
Fisher, H. G. Reich, Chas.	
Fowler, E. A. S. Robinson, Capt. I.	
French, Mrs. and child Schmoke, W.	
Fugus, Mrs. J. B. Schrader, E.	
Fugus, Mrs. J. B. Shiekin	
Fugus, Mrs. F. W. Sibley, J. C.	
Fuller, Denman Slater, L. Roy	
Galland, J. Solomon, H. H.	
Galland, Mrs. A. Spittles, Mr. and	
George, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Jam	
F. J. Square, Miss	
George, Miss Strand, J. X.	
Glaus, A. O. Sutherland, D.	
Goodrich, O. L. Vermel, G.	
Gordon, A. G. Williams, Master	
Goulburn, V. Williams, K. P.	
Gould, Mr. and Mrs. J. Vollbrecht, Mrs. E.	
Gourgey, I. Watkins, H.	
Gratana, D. M. G. Webb, Mr. and	
Grimshaw, R. J. Webb, Mr. and	
Groman, Dr. and B.	
Mrs. A. Weber, W.	
Haight, Mr. and Weitz, H.	
Mrs. F. P. Welch, T. C.	
Hall, Capt. T. P. Woodman, D. M.	
Harbord, W. T. White, Mr. and	
Harrison, A. H. L. H.	
Herdman, A. E. Williams, Mr. and	
Hobbs, W. N. Mrs. H. S.	
Hodgkinson, Mrs. U. S. Winkler, Mr. and	
U. S. Mrs. F.	
Holgate, H. Wood, G. G.	
Hodgkinson, Mrs. Wright, Mr. and	
A. G. W. Mrs. J. F.	
Hope, E. Young, J. A.	

ASTOR HOUSE.

Adams, R. C. Habo, W.	
Auld, J. B. Hongland, M.	
Arville, Miss E. Hongland, Mr. and	
Budel, R. Mrs. W. A.	
Bryan, M. Hodges, B. F.	
Brown, J. Jalbuna, R.	
Brown, L. J. J. J. J.	
Byrne, J. D. M.	
Carrette, H. Laubie	
Carson, Miss M. Lipke, H.	
Chapman, John B. Angell, V.	
Chen, H. V. Marshall, H.	
Chisholm, G. N. McKinnay, C. W.	
Chopard, F. A. Miller, H. H.	
Chua, A. Morton, Mrs. B.	
Clarkson, W. B. Messer, F.	
Cohan, A. Newman, J. C.	
Conlin, D. Nolasco, Mr. and	
Connolly, Miss E. J. Mrs.	
Connolly, Miss C. A. Nungesser, C.	
Connolly, J. T. Ortega, J.	
Crosby, Miss E. Pearson, J.	
Curtis, Mr. and Popovich, A.	
Roy, Mr. and Mrs. M. J.	
David, A. J. Le	
Dorey, S. H. Scott, J. A.	
Evans, Geo. Smith, Lister	
Feldstein, B. Sommer, A.	
Field, Mr. and Mrs. F. Triumpher, Miss E.	
Finey, Miss D. Williams, F. E.	
Goldberg, A. B. Woodward	

CHAMBERLAIN.

Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot, Capt. and	
Mrs. J. children	
Field, Mr. and Mrs. Kydd, Mr. and	
Compton, Mr. and Mrs.	
Mrs. Smith, Mrs. G.	
Director, S. J. Smith, E. G.	
Conall, W. A. Wood, E. M.	
De Groot, Madam	

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, December 6, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Butcher Meat	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut, —Moi Lung Pa	lb. 20
" Corned, —Ham Ngau Yuk	" 20
" Roast, —Shiu	" 20
" Breast, —Nagu Lam	" 18
" Soup, —Tong Yuk	" 15
" Steak, —Ngau Yuk Pa	" 20
" do. —Sirloin Ootom —Ngau Lau	" 30
" Sausages, —Ngau Chaung	" 24
Bullock's Brains, — Know	per set 9
" Tongue fresh, —Ngau Li	each 45
" corned, —Ham Ngau Li	" 80
" Head, —Ngau Tan	" 80
" Heart, —Ngau Sum	" 12
" Hump, Salt, —Ngau Kin	" 18
" Feet, —Ngau Kook	" 9
" Kidneys, —Ngau Yi	" 9
" Tail, —Ngau Moi	" 18
" Liver, —Ngau Kon	" 12
" Tripe (undressed), —Ngau To	" 6
Calve Head & Feet, —Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1
Mutton Chop, —Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 22
" Leg, —Yeung Pei	" 22
" Shoulder, —Yeung Shau	" 20
Pigs Chittlings, —Chu Chong	per set 24
" Brains, —Chu Know	" 24
" Feet, —Chu Kark	" 12
" Fry, —Chu Chak	" 25
" Head, —Chu Tau	" 15
" Heart, —Chu Sum	each 13
" Kidneys, —Chu Yin	" 9
" Liver, —Chu Con	lb 30
Pork Chop, —Chu Pai Kwat	" 20
" Corned, —Ham Chu Yuk	" 24
" Leg, —Chu Pa	" 15
" Fat or Lard, —Chu Yau	set 50
Sheep Head and Feet, —Yeung Tau Kark	each 6
" Heart, —Yeung Sum	" 9
" Kidneys, —Yeung Yiu	" 9
" Liver, —Yeung Con	lb. 24
Smoking Pigs, To Order —Chu Cha	" 22
Suet, Beef —Sang Ngau Yau	" 20
" Mutton, —Sang Yeung Yau	" 22
Veal, —Ngau Chai Yuk	" 20
" Sausages, —Ngau Chai Chaung	" 20

POULTRY.

Poultry	
Chicken, —Kai Chai	lb 23
Capon, Large, Small, —Sin Kai	" 28
Ducks, —Ap	" 24
Doves, —Pan Kau	each 18
Eggs, Hen, —Kai Tan	per doz 24
Fowls, Canton, —Kai	lb 30
" Hainan, —Hoi Nam Kai	" 25
Geese, —Ngi	" 25
Geese, Wild, —Shang-ho Yea Ngai	pair 1
Mus Deer, —Wong Keng	each 1
Hare, Shanghai, —Tu Chai	" 65
Partridge, —Ohe Khoo	" 80
Phasant, —Shan Kai	pair \$ 1.50
Pigeons, Canton, —Pak Kup	each 30
" Hoihow, —Hoi How Pak Kup	" 24
Quail, —Um Chun	" 15
Rice Birds, —Wo Fa Cheul	dozen 1
Snipe, —Sa Choy	each 25
Turkeys, Cook, —Phor Kai Kung	lb. 55
" Hen, —Na	" 45
Wild Ducks, —Shai —Shang hoi Sui Ap	\$1.40
Teal, —Sui Ap Chai	" 45
Wild Ducks, Canton, —Sang-Shing Sui Ap	" 90

FISH.

Fish	
Barbel, —Ka Yu	lb 8
Bream, —Bin Yu	" 15
Canton Fresh Water Fish, —Hoi Sin Yu	" 15
Carp, —Li Yu	" 20
Catfish, —Chik Yu	" 18
Codfish, —Mun Yu	" 17
Crabs, —Hai	" 20
Cuttle Fish, —Muk Yu	" 15
Dab, —Sa Mang Yu	" 15
Dace, —Wong Mei Lun	" 8
Dog Fish, —Tit Tu Sa	" 8
Eels, Congor, —Hoi Mann	" 15
" Fresh water, —Tara Sin Yu	" 15
Eels, Yellow, —Wong Sin	" 24
Frogs, —Tien Kai	" 32
Gardoups, —Sek Pan	" 52
Gardoups, —Pak Kup Yu	" 18
Herrings, —Tso Pak	" 18
Halibut, —Cheung Kwan Kup	" 28
Labrus, —Wong Fa Yu	" 15
Loach, —Wu Yu	" 28
Lobsters, —Lung Ha	" 25
Mackerel, —Chi Yu	" 24
Monk Fish, —Mong Yu	" 28
Mullet, —Chai Yu	" 28
Oysters, —Sang Hoo	" 20
Parrotfish, —Kai Kung Yu	" 15
Perch, —Tau Loo	" 15
Pike, —Fa Paw Poong	" 8
Plaice, —Pan Yu	" 18
Pomfret, Black, —Hak Chong	" 20
Pomfret, White, —Pak Chong	" 32
Pawns, —Ming Ha	" 48
Ray, —Pai Pa Sa	" 8
Ryak Fish, —Sek Ka Kung	" 14
Sardines, —Guan Yu	" 10

肉食

Salmon, —Ma Yan Y	lb. 36
Shark, —Sa Yu	" 8
Skate, —Po Yu	" 9
Shrimps, —Ha	" 20
Snapper, —Lap Yu	" 24
Soles, —Tat Sa Yu	" 16
Tench, —Wan Yu	" 18
Turbot, —Cho How Yu	" 20
Turtles, small, fresh water, —Kork Yu	" 56
White Bait, —Ngau Yu Chai	" 1

FRUITS

Fruits	
Almonds, —Hung Yau	lb. 25
Apples (California), —Kam San Ping Kho	" 20
" (Chefoo), —Tin Chun Ping Kho	" 1
" Small, —Hoi Tong	" 1
" Custard, —Fan Lai Chi	each 1
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, —San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 3
" (brides), Macao, —San Heung Chiu	" 4
Chestnuts, Chinese, —Foong Lut	" 12
Carambola, —Yeung Tuo	" 6
Cocanuts, —Yeh Tse	each 12
Lemons, China, —Ning Moong	lb 6
" America, —Kum San Ning Moon	" 8
Lichees Dried, —Lai Chi, small Stone	" 30
" Fresh	" 12
Limes, (Saigon), —Sai Kung Ning Moong	each 1
Mango, Manila, —Lui Sung Mong	" 1
Mangosteens, —San Chuk Tse	doz 8
Oranges, (Canton), —San-shing Tim Ching	lb 5
" Sweet	" 6
Pears, (American), —Kam San Shoot Lay	" 15
" (Canton), Cooking, —Sa Lay	" 15
Peanuts, —Fa Sang	" 10
Parasimmons Large, —Hung Chie	" 8
Pine-apples, 1st quality, —Poon Ti Paw Law	each 10
" 2nd	" 8
Plantain, —Tai Chou	lb 1
Plums, —Swatow, Hung Lai	" 12
Pumelo, Siam, —Ohim Lo Yau	each 12
" Shanghai, —Lo Kwat	" 14
Walnuts, —Hop Tuo	lb 14
" Green, —Sang Hop Tuo	" 15
Water Melon, —(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each 15
" (China) Sai Kwa	" 15
Grapes, —Sang Po Tai Tse	lb 25

VEGETABLES, &c.

Vegetables, &c.	
Artichokes, Shanghai, —Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb 8
Beans, (French), Macao, —Oh Moon Pin Tau	lb 13
" (French) Shanghai, —Sheung Hai Pin	" 10
" Sprout, —Ah Cho	" 6
" Long, —Tau Ko	" 5
Beet Root, —Hung Chai Tau	each 5
Brinjals, Green, —Ching Yuan	" 8
" Red, —Hung Ker	" 6
Cabbage, Chinese, com., —Kai Choy	" 10
Cabbage Red, —Hung Yea Choy	" 10
Cabbage, Shanghai, —Yeh Chai	" 10
Cane Shoots, bunch, —Kau Shun	lb. 10
Canflower, Large size, —Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each 15
" Medium size, —Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	" 12
" Small size, —Sai Yen Chai Fa	" 10
Carrots, —Kam Shun	lb. 8
Celery, Chinese, —Tong Kan Chai	" 8
" English, —Yeung Kan Chai	" 5
Chillies Dried, —Gon Lat Chiu	" 25
" Red, —Hung Far Chiu	" 15
" Green, —Ching Lat Chiu	" 10
Curry Stuff, English, —Kar Lee Chu Liu	" 10
Cucumbers, —Ching Kwa	" 2
Bitter Squash, —Fu Kwa	" 6
Garlio, —Que Tau	" 8
Ginger, young, —Sun Tse Keung	" 5
" old, —Lo Keung	" 8
Horse Radish, Shanghai, —Lik Kan	" 12
Indian Corn, —Suk Mai	each 5
Lettuce, —Yeung Sang Chai	" 1
Water Chestnuts, —Ma Tai	lb. 5
" Mandarin, —Kwai Lum Ma Tai	" 6
Mushrooms, Fresh, —Sang Cho Koo	" 1
Musk Melon, Amer., —Kam-san Hong Kwa	each 15
Okros	" 15
Onions Bombay, —Yeung Chong Tau	" 8
" Green, —Sang Chong	" 6
" Shanghai, —Shang-hoi Chong Tau	" 6
Papaw, 1st qual., —Tai Man Sau Kua	each 10
" 2nd	" 6
Parley, —Kun Cho	" 8
Green Peas, —Ching Tau	lb. 1
Potatoes, Sweet, —Fan Shu	" 3
" Shanghai, —Shang-hoi Shu Tse	" 3
" Japan, —Yut Poon Shu Tse	" 1
" American, —Fa Ki Shu Tse	" 8
" Foochow, —Foo-chow Shu Tse	" 1
Pumpkin, —Tong Kwa	" 3
Radish, —Hung Lo Pak Tse	" 5
Rhubarb (Fresh), —Tai Wong	" 1
Sage, —Tse So	" 1
Shallots, —Gon Chung Tau	" 8
Spinach, —Yin Chai	" 6
Tomatoes, —Fan Ker	" 6
" Wai, —Wu Tau	" 5
" Pun, (Long), —Lo Pak	" 4
" English, —Yeung Lo Pak	" 1
Vegetable Marrow, —Chit Kwa	" 3
" (American), —Kam-san Chit Kwa	" 1
Water Cress, —Sai Yeung Cho	" 15
" Lily root, —Lun Ngau	" 5
Yams, —Ta Shu	" 6

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

W. BOWEN-BOWLANDS,

Solely Sanitary Board

Notices

The Egyptian Favourite

among those who have sufficient knowledge of the excellent quality of a perfect Egyptian Cigarette is one of the brands known as

Bouton Rouge and Felucca

Egyptian Cigarettes

Until you have smoked them you really have not realized the perfection to which the manufacture of Egyptian Cigarettes can be brought. Their makers, Messrs. Maspero Freres, have now arranged for their supply by all high-class tobacco dealers at the most reasonable prices.

A Luxury to the Man of Taste.



Consignees

AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"POLERIC"

Captain Dye, having arrived, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after ten days of steamer's arrival.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 4th Dec., 1912.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENOLEUCH"

From ANTWERP, LEITH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th Dec will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 19th Dec., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 12th Dec., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Dec., 1912.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

S.S. "MANCHURIA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after TUESDAY Dec. 10th, 1912, at noon will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after SATURDAY Dec. 14th, 1912, at noon will be subject to landing and storage charges.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown THURSDAY Dec. 19th, 1912, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at time of delivery to consignees and sign for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before Jan. 7th 1913, otherwise they will not be recognized.

FRED J. HALTON.

Agent.

Hongkong, 6th Dec., 1912.

Consignees

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 11th Dec., at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on TUESDAY 10th inst., at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Dec., 1912.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"AKI MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, to-day.

Goods not cleared by the 12th Dec., will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents.

Hongkong 5th Dec., 1912.

H.M.S. Torch.

A message from Auckland, New Zealand, says that with regard to statements made in the House of Commons last month as to the unseaworthy condition of H.M.S. Torch, it appears that when the Torch was posted to the reserve it was concluded that she would be converted into a bulk. The overhauling of the ship was postponed from year to year, and when she was recommissioned there was consternation in naval circles; she was only docked for the purpose of overhauling her machinery and making absolutely necessary repairs. On the voyage to the Tonga Islands the propeller shaft snapped and H.M.S. Pegasus towed the Torch to Sydney, where an inquiry as to the vessel's condition when she started on her voyage will be held.

COMMERCIAL.

London Rubber Market.

The East Asiatic Company's Daily Report for Dec. 2 says:—The market in London on Saturday was very quiet and unchanged. The closing prices were:—

Hard fine Para spot 4/8
Hard fine Para forward... 4/5 1/2
First latex crepe, delivery next three months, 4/4 1/2

New Coal Deposits at Rawang.

One of the most significant items in the F.M.S. budget was the provision made by the Government for the construction of a line to the Rawang coal-fields. We now hear, says the "Malay Mail" that during the last month or two even better coal than any previously found has been discovered at working depth so that it can only be a question of time before not only the F.M.S. railways and mines will run on Rawang coal, but even plantation suction-gas plants and perhaps our domestic kitchens will draw their supplies from these coal-fields. When such a time arrives, the benefits accruing to this country by reason of the increased employment of labour owing to the opening up of mining for an entirely new mineral by the stimulus caused to all local industries (such, for instance, as cement manufacture) needing cheap but good fuel, and by the retarding of the present depletion of our forests will be almost incalculable.

Improved Position of Pahang Consolidated.

The tin situation shows little signs of altering unless it may be taken as an alteration that tin shares have attracted rather more attention of late. The situation favours investors, there is little doubt of that, and those particularly who have Sungai Gai in hand are advised to hold them very fast, as, to use a racing expression, there is very strong stable buying for this security and most of the loose shares are snapped up on order from the right quarter. Pahangs have been very interesting stock for some weeks, but locally the general investor is very much in the dark as there is so little information obtainable. The improved position, says the writer of Rubber and Tin Notes in the "Singapore Free Press," is due to two main considerations, one the report of promising aspects in the work on Willink's lode and the other to the fact that tin at the present price makes low grade work a quite paying proposition. Most of the dealings have we believe been on London account and rather tentative, but if the reports which may be expected soon prove promising there may be wider dealings in this stock. At the same time it may be pointed out as rather absurd that the market should value Pahangs at 100 per cent over par value and Tronohs at only two hundred. Considering their records and prospects Tronohs on this scale ought to be quoted at about £6 instead of about £3. Pahangs are not a reasonable investment at 11s. or if they are then such as Tongkah, Tronoh, Pasing Bahru, Kinta Association are being merely thrown away at the present price. Speculators who care to study the tin share market should be able to make quite nice profits in the next six months. The situation receiving most attention at present is the position of Menglembu. Leaving aside the questions regarding the delayed publication of information, the fact remains that Government has remitted five per cent on condition that an amount equivalent to the saving effected is expended on lode development. It is held in really sound quarters in Perak that the Menglembu lode is the genuine thing, and that of course is what Government is aiming at in encouraging development work of this character. If a big lode is once really established the work of locating and developing branch lode propositions in the Peninsular is made much easier, and it need hardly be stated that lode work of a paying character is the type of mining which will put the Malayan tin industry on a really firm basis.

Labu Rubber Dividend.
Messrs. Guthrie and Company, of Singapore have received cable advice from the secretaries of the Labu (F.M.S.) Rubber Co., Ltd., that at a meeting of the board of directors just held it was decided to declare a second interim dividend of 10 per cent. payable on December 12.

German Colonial Trade.
During the year 1910, writes the commercial correspondent of The "Financier," the general commerce of all the German colonies reached 450,500,000, which, of course, is a long way behind the total trade of the English or the French colonies. But it is worth observing that the progress in this respect has been very rapid since the year 1905, when the total only made 241,376,000, from which it advanced year by year without a break to the total named above in 1910, showing an advance of 86.7 per cent. in six years. When we remember that the increase in the general commerce of the whole German Empire in the same period only amounted to 27.6 per cent., namely, from 16,598,000,000 to 21,193,000,000, which is considered very satisfactory progress, we can judge that the progress made in connection with colonial trade is something more than satisfactory. Naturally, the progress in the first few years generally looks large, because it begins somewhere near zero; but in the case of the German colonies the increases grow year by year.

During the period named the importations into the colonies reached 175,685,000 in value in 1905, and rose to 248,789,000 in 1910; whilst the exports rose from 65,631,000 in 1905 to 201,764,000 in 1910. The rise in exports is 207 per cent., and in the imports 41 per cent. It is remarkable that the improvement is practically confined to the African possessions of the country as far as importations go. For the figures are practically stationary both for the South Sea Islands and Kiaou-Tseu. But it is different with regard to the exportations, which have more than quadrupled for the South Sea Islands, and more than doubled for Kiaou-Tseu. This goes so far to support many German economists that colonies are wanted, in order to obtain raw materials for the home manufacturing industries. The products of the palm tree are extensively exported from the South Sea Islands and Africa. The article quoted, which is a French study on the position of this colonial trade movement will probably continue to grow; for, although trade does not always follow the flag, sometimes it does, as the writer of the article adds, the commercial traveller willingly trends in the footsteps of the soldier.

NOTICES.

IN THE MATTER OF R. W. PALEY, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that authority has been granted by His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court for China to JAMES WILLIAM JAMIESON, Esquire, O.M.G., H. B. M. Consul General at Canton, to administer the estate of the above-named (late of the Chinese Maritime Customs) who died at Hongkong on October 28th, 1912.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to send particulars of such claims to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of January, 1913, after which date the assets will be distributed having regard only to claims of which notice shall then have been given, and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons indebted to the said estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

J. W. JAMIESON,
H. B. M. Consul General,
Canton, December 9th, 1912.

NOTICE.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

A PAPER will be read at the rooms of the above Institution by Mr. J. S. Chapman on "The efficiency of the propelling system" on Friday evening December 13th at 9 p.m.

All members and others interested are invited to attend.
Mr. J. REID, Chairman,
General Manager,
Tatler Dock.

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G. and Commodore Anstruther, O.M.G.

THE BOATSWAIN'S MATE

A Comedy in One Act
by
W. W. JACOBS

To be preceded by
A Grand Variety Entertainment.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
the 13th and 14th Dec.

Commencing at 9.15 p.m.
Prices 3s, 2s, and 1s.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform
half price to Gallery.
Proceeds to be devoted to Local Charities.

AVIATION

MEETING
HONGKONG.

Under the Patronage of His
Excellency the Governor
SIR HENRY MAY.

Mr. M. KOUZMINSKY,

The famous aviator,
Who will give exhibition flights on his
Bleriot Machine.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
14th and 15th, 1912.

Watch for further announcements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"AN IDEAL

HUSBAND"

A PLAY IN 4 ACTS

by
OSCAR WILDE,

to be produced by
Local Amateurs
on December 17th, 19th and 21st
at 9.00 p.m.

Under the distinguished
Patronage of

His Excellency the Governor

in aid of the following Charities:—

The Diocesan Girls' School

The Eyre Refuge

The Blind Home (Blindenheim)

The St. Lewis Orphanage

Booking opens at Messrs. Moutrie & Co. from December 4th to holders of advance tickets, obtainable from ladies and members of the committees of the various Charities and Messrs. Moutrie & Co., and to the public from December 7th.

Miss GLADYS SPENCER
Miss GLADYS SPENCER
Miss GLADYS SPENCER
(The Charming Little Sourette and Dancer)

Miss DOLLY SWIFT
(Refined Solo and Comedienne)

ALL NEW PICTURES:—

Max's Efforts to grow.

The Light House-keeper's Daughter

The Headless Man

A Sham Wifles

Round about Antibes

ARTISTES AT MATINEES

7.15 PICTURES ONLY. 7.15

Medicine and Fruit Cakes 50 and 60 cents per lb. Wedding and Birthday Cakes from \$1.00 per lb.

ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.

Banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York.

London Office: 55, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES:—

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Capital and Reserve: \$100,000,000 (Gold).

Every description of Banking Business.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.

DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for one year at 4 per cent, or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND COLLECTED MAILS AND TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities in the world.

THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.

COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.

PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.

TRAVELLERS CHECKS sold and cashed.

GEORGE HOGG, Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912. [19]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 48,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL " 30,000,000

RESERVE FUND " 17,500,000

Head Office: YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Agencies at

Antung-Hsien, Nagasaki, New York, Osaka, Peking, Ryojun Port (Ar. thur), San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Tokyo.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. 18

NOTICES

THE CHINA PROVIDENT

LOAN AND MORTGAGE

CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP: \$1,350,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House, Property, &c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF

TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OR

WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,

Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. 32

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT

In Casks of 875 lbs. net.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1901. 3

THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

EIGHT FAMINE DISTRICTS with an area of 80,000 square miles.

TWO and a half million people facing starvation.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO-DAY.

IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE.

Treasurer, H. C. GULLAND, Esq.,

Manager, International Banking Corporation, Shanghai.

Hongkong, 24th January 1912. [170]

VICTORIA THEATRE.

THE PIONEER PLACE OF ENTERTAINMENT OF HONGKONG.

2 Performances: 7.15 Pictures only.

9.15 Full Programmes.

Matinees: Wednesdays & Holidays 5 p.m.

Fridays 4 p.m.

Sundays 2 p.m.

Magnificent Films.

TO-NIGHT

D. but of the Charming American Sourette.

HOWARD SISTERS

Popular Prices.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

MEMORIES OF W. S. GILBERT.

Some Amusing Stories and Epigrams.

There is an entertaining article on "Sir W. S. Gilbert as I knew Him," by Rowland Gray, in the "Century Magazine."

His table-talk, says the writer, will not be garnered up in dismal little volumes where the champagne is flat and the lamps burn dim. Brevity was the soul of his

The terrible verdict as to a certain "Hamlet" whose impersonator unwisely asked him to be candid is historical: "Funny, my dear fellow—funny without being vulgar." A remark about another concocted player was made to a very limited audience: "Poor—he has all the faults of an actor without the excuse of being one."

A word was enough. He described a sweet old lady, all sloping shoulders and Honiton lace, as "belonging to the early keep-sake period." Another was being ridiculed for the hideous Middlesex accent, which converted bad weather into a "voilà d'ye," was gravely defended by him. "She is of ancient lineage," for it is evident she is descended from the "Triangle-Saxon." Of a stout matron in society he remarked, "I like Mrs. A—, but I prefer a woman to be as long as she is broad." Rallied for his admiration of several beauties at once, he retorted, "But surely I am too good to be true," which was unanswerable.

He laughed at the fallacies of popular proverbs. "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush is all very well, but what if it happens to be a vulture?"

His Way with Interviewers.

His kindness in granting interviews when he thought the interviewers were needy has led to the circulation of a number of feeble anecdotes more than half apocryphal. The real version of a favourite anecdote with his innumerable chroniclers has not yet been given. An American journalist asked if it was a fact that he was interested in cattle-raising. "Well, I have about two thousand head of stock, principally bee," replied the creator of the memorable bee Peter, who persisted in trying to "swarm alone." The tale did not end there, however, for he liked to relate how, when the interview appeared, the word "bee" was left out, and the information was added that he was going in for ranching.

He rarely talked about literature, though he admitted a tolerant liking for Trollope and an unexplained dislike to Jane Austen. Tennyson was his poet, and he had a deep admiration for Thackeray and Dickens. When I once put the threadbare question as to his favourite author, he replied, "Well, I never go away without a volume or two of Dickens." It was not for nothing that he and Mr. Pickwick were born in the same year under a merry star. Mr. Pickwick was born middle-aged, whereas Sir William Gilbert began life in the usual way. The green monthly numbers were appearing in the year of his birth, and he and the immortal Pickwick were friends for life. The beginning and the end of the Victorian era had each its undisputed king of laughter.

To see him at a Savoy rehearsal was to see him in his element. His whole mind was concentrated upon his congenial task, and he had no thought for the privileged audience, often more inclined to watch the tall figure pacing up and down than the actors themselves. "For Heaven's sake! wear your coronets as if you were used to them!" was his exasperated exclamation to the chorus of peers in "Iolanthe." The way the famous librettist won their way to the very heart of the British nation was strikingly shown at a revival of "The Pirates of Penzance," when, after twenty-eight years, a few slight changes had been made. The author was absent that night but surely he must have been pleased when he heard how indignant voices from the gallery had shouted to the actors to "stick to the text." Who will ever require a rising generation to give us the text of the so-called "musical comedy" of to-day?

MR. R. G. KNOWLES.

Home Again After his Eastern Peripatations.

There was a burst of familiar music, says a writer in the "Daily Graphic," at the London Hippodrome the other afternoon—music that must have stirred up many recollections to some of us present, as a tall man wearing a ragged frock coat, a battered opera hat, and a frayed pair of white check trousers rushed on the stage like a hurricane. And the audience received him with cheers; but before the cheering had died away he was talking to us at an amazing pace in the husky ruin of a voice that is still full of soft and appealing tones.

He was a man of very human interests, who discoursed about love and woman and marriage—the domestic eternities of life—in a strain of compassionate good humour, strongly flavoured with wit.

Seldom has the London Hippodrome held such a demonstrative audience. They punctuated the performance with roars of laughter and storms of cheers. And every now and again the tall man with the battered opera hat and the frayed white trousers executed quaint little dance steps and sang melodious snatches of song.

When he went away the audience called him back again; so he returned, and cracked jokes and sang songs for the best part of half an hour. So it is evident the Hippodrome has discovered—or re-discovered—a star comedian of the first magnitude. This, indeed, is true—a comedian with a personality unlike any other performer on the variety stage, a man who is as much a wit as a humorist, a man who makes his audience laugh with him rather than at him.

His name, it should be remarked, is R. G. Knowles.

Some readers may have recognized him from the frayed trousers and the old opera hat. But the best way to recognize him is to see him at the Hippodrome, so that one may be sure time improves good humour, in the same way as it improves good books and good wine.

DESOLATE.

I called in the night, "Moghree, Moghree!"
But only the seagulls answered me.
The great grey gulls on a sea forlorn,
With raucous cries of mocking scorn.
As the roven berries her lips were red,
So red,

But she lies white and dead,
Oh, white and dead.
I called in the dawn, "Moghree, Moghree!"
But only the wild winds answered me.
The eerie winds, and their sobbing left
The gay woods bare, like me bere.

As the falling corn-ears her hair was gold,
So gold,
But she lies white and cold,
Oh, white and cold.
I called, "Come you back, Moghree, Moghree!"
But only the lone hills answered me.
The silent hills with their stillness deep
As Death, that lulled my love to sleep.
[E.W.A. in Evening Standard.]

November Rubber Returns.

Bukit Timah.—11,002 lbs., making a total for the eleven months of the current financial year of 86,974 lbs.
Tapah.—0,050 lbs., making a total for the eleven months of the current financial year of 66,943 lbs.

POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Japan etc., s.s. Princess Alice, Dec.—Haiphong 8th Dec.
Maula, s.s. Leongwang, Dec.—A. T. & Co.
Australia etc., Prinz Waldemar, Amoy, s.s. Holbow, Dec.—A. T. & Co.
Shanghai, s.s. Nile.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Shanghai
Nov. 22 Dec. 7
Nov. 23 Dec. 9

MAILS DUE.

German, Kleist, 18th inst.
American, Chiyo Maru, 16th inst.

The s.s. Kleist with the German Mail left Singapore on Sunday the 8th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on Friday 13th inst. at daylight.

MAILS CLOSE.

Japan via Kobe—Per Prinz Waldemar, 11th Dec., 8 a.m.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Naples—Per Princess Alice, 11th Dec., 9 a.m.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per Siam, 11th Dec., 9 a.m.
Straits and Amoy—Per Nile, 11th Dec., 9 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haiman, 11th Dec., 10 a.m.
Japan via Yokohama—Per Okara, 11th Dec., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 11th Dec., 1.15 p.m.
Ocean Island—Per Isobor-maru, 11th Dec., 2 p.m.

Swatow and Amoy—Per Ichang, 11th Dec., 8 p.m.
Swatow—Per Marie, 11th Dec., 5 p.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Japan, 12th Dec., 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 12th Dec., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chenan, 12th Dec., 3 p.m.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Kantsang, 12th Dec., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Amoy—Per Soshu-maru, 12th Dec., 5 p.m.
Philippine Islands, Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Empire, 13th Dec., 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 13th Dec., 10 a.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 13th Dec., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe (Europe via Siberia)—Per Kleist, 13th Dec., 4 p.m.

Siberian Mail.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per Montague, 13th Dec., 6 p.m.

Straits and Sourabaya—Per Pauwang, 14th Dec., 11 a.m.
Batavia, Sumatra, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per Tjilwang, 14th Dec., noon.

Philippine Islands—Per Loosang, 14th Dec., 1 p.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 14th Dec., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lianan, 14th Dec., 5 p.m.
Swatow—Per Haiman, 15th Dec., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiphong, 17th Dec., 10 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per Kwongsang, 17th Dec., 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) (Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents).—Per Ernest Simons, 17th Dec., 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Robi, 17th Dec., 3 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per Tamang, 17th Dec., 8 p.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Yashu, 18th Dec., 11 a.m.
Sandakan—Per Mausang, 19th Dec., 8 p.m.

Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

English Mail.
Straits, Birmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 8th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kjeld, Nor. s.s., 890, T. Hellero, 7th Dec.—Haiphong 8th Dec.
Stone—A. T. & Co.
Fridtjof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Anderson, 8th Dec.—Tientsin 1st Dec.
Coal—A. T. & Co.

Isobe Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,938, K. Hayashi, 8th Dec.—Mikie 2nd Dec. Coal—M. B. K.
Saigon Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,881, T. Yamaguchi, Dec.—Moji 2nd Dec. Coal—O. S. K.

Soshu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,119, K. Tashiro, 8th Dec.—Swatow 7th Dec. Gen.—O. S. K.
Nishu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,722, R. Minagawa, 9th Dec.—Wakamatsu 3rd Dec. Coal—Order.

Singao, Br. s.s., 1,647, J. D. Milne, 9th Dec.—Pakhoi 7th Dec. Gen.—B. & S.
Mathilde, Br. s.s., 831, G. Schlaikner, 9th Dec.—Haiphong and Haibow 8th Dec. Rice and Gen.—J. & Co.

Tsintan, Ger. s.s., 1,002, F. Bueking, 9th Dec.—Singapore via Haibow 7th Dec. Coal—B. & S.
Tatung, Fr. s.s., 691, Trilbarit, 9th Dec.—Chingwang 2nd Dec. Coal—Order.

Loong Sang, Br. s.s., 1,093, Leask, 10th Dec.—Manila 7th Dec. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Haiman, Br. s.s., 641, J. W. Evans, 10th Dec.—Swatow 9th Dec. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Prinz Waldemar, Ger. s.s., 1,738, H. Bremer, 10th Dec.—Manila 7th Dec. Gen.—M. & Co.
Prinzess Alice, Ger. s.s., 6,62, Frank 10th Dec.—Yokohama 30th Nov. Mail and Gen.—M. & Co.

Nile, Br. s.s., 1,183, H. Powell, 10th Dec.—Yokohama 26th Nov. Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Ningpo, Br. s.s., 1,228, Pickard, 10th Dec.—Canton 9th Dec. Gen.—B. & S.

Tsuru Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,066, Nakai, 10th Dec.—Mikie 4th Dec. Coal—M. B. K.
Wakamatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,722, Aikawa, 10th Dec.—Wakamatsu 4th Dec. Coal—M. B. K.

Holbow, Br. s.s., 987, McCulloch, 10th Dec.—Amoy 7th Dec. Ballast—B. & S.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Dec. 9.
Daito-maru, for Tientsin.
Nishu-maru, for Canton.
Obayashi, for Shanghai.
Toson, for Amoy.
Tongshing, for Hongay.
Pissanuk, for Bangkok.
Latouat, for Bangkok.
Dec. 10.
Chingwang, for Tientsin.
Haitan, for Foochow.
3. Appeal, for Moji.
Chiuen, for Shanghai.
Kaifong, for Iloilo.
Prinzess Alice, for Hamburg.
Prinz Waldemar, for Yokohama.
Nile, for London.
Yumchow, for Saigon.
Faitan, for Swatow.
Ariake-maru, for Mikie.
Chongwa, for Kwongau auran.

DEPARTED.

Dec. 10.
Ijibodas, for Batavia.
China, for San Francisco.
Cand-maru, for Victoria.
Fai, for Canton.
Chenan, for Canton.
Haitan, for Hongay.
Eiger, for Haiphong.
Pera, for Yokohama.
Demodocus, for Yokohama.
Natica, for Singapore.
Haitan, for Foochow.
Chiuen, for Shanghai.
Kaifong, for Philippine Islands.
Choyang, for Hongay.
Tungshing, for Hongay.
heongshing, for Tientsin.
G. Appeal, for Kabe.
Indo-maru, for Moji.
Pissanuk, for Swatow.
Ariake, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Nile, arrived 10th inst., from Shanghai.
Pearman, Mr. and Tibbey, Mr. and Mrs. H. M.
Blackburn, Mrs.
Per s.s. Prinzess Alice, arrived 10th inst., from Yokohama, etc.:
Eswick, Mrs.
Li o Hung-hoi
Cawley, Mr. and Michael, Mr. and Mrs. R. H.
Carrers, G. Mahan, Mrs.
Goh Eng-huay.
Merrill, Mr. and Mrs.
Grat.
Harden, Y. S. Shaw, H. G.
Hamas n. Miss Spathe, V.
Hopkins, A. E. White
Johnstone, R. O. Wood, Mr. & Mrs.
Kopplinger, Miss Zellenszky, A. L.

SEIPS PASSED THE CAVAL.
London, November 15.
Arrivals from China—Hitechi Maru, Yunnan.
The following vessels have passed the Canal—Banawars, Canton, Nera, Pambotahine, Flag Day, Demodocus.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 10th at 11.15.—Pressure has increased slightly over the whole area except in the neighbourhood of Looerne where it has decreased slightly, and over the S. Philippines where it is stationary.

The anticyclone has intensified slightly and spread north-eastward. Fresh to strong monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood. N.E. winds, fresh; fair.
2 Formosa Channel. Strong N.E. gale.

3 South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook. The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

10th December, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Wootock 7 20.61 4 49 NW 0 b
Nemuro 6 23.89 — NW 0
Hakodate 30.09 — NW 5
Tokio 30.20 — NW 3
Kochi 30.41 — NW 1
Nagasaki 30.60 — NE 2
Kishima 30.49 — NE 3
Oshima 30.40 — NE 4
Naha 30.36 — NE 2
Ishijima 30.33 — NE 4
Bonin Is. 30.33 — NE 4
Chefoo — — — — —
Whaiwei — — — — —
Hankow — — — — —
Kinkiang 30.64 — NE 2
Shanghai 30.83 40.74 N 1
Shanghai 30.42 44 N 3
Guzhu 30.31 48.55 NW 1
Amoy 30.46 53.54 NE 5
Swatow 30.32 57.81 NE 1
Taichow 30.40 — NE 4
Faihu 30.29 — NE 0
Tainan 30.26 — NE 4
Koshu 30.26 — NE 10
P'ooten 30.28 — NE 10
Canton 30 — — — — —
H'kong 30.88 60.72 N 1
V. Peak 30.82 — NE 3
Gap Rock 30.29 — NE 6
Macao 30.29 58 N 1
Yuechow 30.29 54 N 0
Hulow — — — — —
Pakhoi — — — — —
Phullen 30.27 63 — NE 5
Toumiao 30.08 — NE 7
C. St. J. 30.07 — NE 2
Aparri 30.13 — NE 5
Manila 30.00 — NE 1
Legaspi 29.95 — NE 2
Bacolod 29.91 — NE 2
Iloilo 29.91 79 — NW 2
Cebu 29.92 83 — NW 2
Luzon — — — — —

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
Hongkong, Observatory, Dec. 10.
1 Barometer, reduced to 82 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2 TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3 HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the Humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4 Direction of Wind, to two points.
5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.
6 State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On Date On Date
at 10 a.m. at 10 a.m. at 10 a.m.
30.19 80.28 30.27

Barometer 60 59 64
Temperature 64 71 60
Humidity 64 71 60
Wind Direction E NE NNE
Force 1 1 1
Weather b o o
Rain — — —
Highest open air Temperature on the 24 hours 76
E.K. Observatory, 9th Dec. 1912.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

Dec 10th to 16th Dec., 1912.

High Water Mean Time. Low Water Mean Time.
Tues. 10 31 38 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Wed. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Thurs. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Fri. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Sat. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Sun. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0
Mon. 11 0 35 4.4 m 0.45 2.0

All productions of the ALEXANDRA OAFEE CO. are under the strictest European Supervision.

Mail Steamers

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. CO.

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named—

FOR STRAITS TO SAIL ON REMARK
SHANGHAI DELTA about 19th Dec. Freight and Passage.
LONDON, via HIMALAYA Capt. H. G. Evans, s.s. 21st Dec. Freight and Passage.
Usual Ports of Call.

LONDON & ANTWERP, ST. PETERSBURG, PLYMOUTH, Oporto, PORT SAID AND MANRILLA. NILE Capt. H. Powell, 10 a.m. 11th Dec. Freight and Passage.

SHANGHAI, NOVARA Capt. H. H. Featherston, about 12th Dec. Freight and Passage.
MOI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. PERA Noon 10th Dec. Freight only.

All the above steamers are fitted with wireless Telegraphy.

For Freight, or Passage apply to H. W. D. SHALLARD, P. & O. S. N. Co.'s office, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1912.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

For STRAITS TO SAIL ON

NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIER, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and HAMBURG. PRINZESS ALICE Capt. Franck, 20,800 { WED'DAY, 11th Dec., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, TING, TAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA. KLEIST Capt. L. Maass, 17,000 { About THURSDAY, 12th Dec.

MANILA, YAP, MARION, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. PRINZ WALDEMAR Capt. H. Bremer, 6,100 { SATURDAY, 28th Dec., at 9 a.m.

KOBE and YOKOHAMA. PRINZ WALDEMAR Capt. H. Bremer, 6,100 { About TUESDAY, 10th Dec.

KUDAT & SANDAKAN. BORNEO Capt. F. Sembill, { About Middle of December.

All the steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy. New System of Telefunken.

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG and CHINA.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1912.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

Hongkong-South China Coast Ports.

Highest Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW RETURN. (Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

STEAMSHIPS. CAPTAIN. LEAVING.
HAICHING. W. O. Passmore. TUESDAY, 17th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAITAN. J. S. Roach. TUESDAY, 10th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAIRANG. A. E. Hodgins. FRIDAY, 13th Dec., at 11 a.m.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN. (Occupying 9 Days).
HAIMUN. J. W. Evans. SUNDAY, 16th Dec., at 10 a.m.
Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier. For Freight and Passage, apply to Douglas, Laprak & Co., General Managers.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

Mail Service to Australia via Manila.

MAIL SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

Steamers	Arrive Hongkong from Australia	Leave Hongkong for Australia
EMPIRE	On the 18th Dec.	On 18th Dec. Noon
ST. ALBANS	On the 18th Dec.	On 4th Jan. Noon</